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City of Boston.

1.

January 5th 1829.

This being the day appointed by law, for the organization of the City government. The following Gentlemen, together with the members of the Common Council appeared in Faneuil Hall, and took their seats viz:

Honorable Harrison Gray Otis, Mayor.

Aldermen.

Henry Jackson Oliver

Samuel Turell Armstrong

John Foster Loring

Benjamin Russell

Thomas Kendall

Winslow Lewis and

James Hall, Esquires.

Charles Wells, Esquires.

The meeting was opened with prayer, by the Reverend John Gorham Palfrey.

The Honorable Isaac Parker, Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, administered the several sworn oaths required by law, to the Mayor.

The Mayor afterwards administered City Council the like oaths to the Aldermen, and then to the members sworn of the Common Council. After which he addressed the two branches of the City Council.

The two boards then adjourned to meet in their respective chambers, in half an hour.

Mayor & Aldermen's Room.

Met according to adjournment.

Ordered, that the City be divided into Dis. com^{ees}
four

2. four districts, as follows, viz:

1st Dis. Wards N^o 1, 2, & 3. Aldermen Oliver and Wells.

2^d " " " 4, 8, & 9. " Kendall & Russell.

3^d " " " 5, 6, & 7. " Loring & Armstrong

4th " " " 10, 11 & 12. " Hall and Lewis.

for the purpose of attending to the several streets, lanes, alleys, and public places within those districts.

Com. Council

Pres. & Clerk

A message in writing was received, announcing, that the Common Council had elected Eliphaz Williams, Esquire, for their president, and Thomas Clark, Esq. for their clerk.

Ordered, that a message in writing be sent to the Common Council, proposing a convention forthwith in the Common Council room, for the purpose of electing a City Clerk.

A message in writing was received, from the Common Council, signifying their concurrence with the board of Aldermen to form a convention of the City Council at the time and for the purpose above mentioned.

In Convention.

City Clerk

Chosen Secy.

Agreeably to apointment, the two boards, met in Convention, in the Common Council room, for the purpose of electing a City Clerk. Alderman Oliver, Mep^r: Waters & Bigelow were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes, who reported the whole number to be

50.

Necessary

Necessary for a choice 26. 3.

Samuel Foster McLeary, Esquire, had 46.
and he was chosen.

The oath of office was administered to him by the Mayor.

The business of the convention being accomplished, the two boards separated.

Thomas Reed, member of the Common Council, from Ward N^o 2, and Samuel Goodhue, a member from Ward N^o 7, attended by Mr. Waters, and the several oaths required by law, were administered to them, by the Mayor. Members qualified.

Ordered, that Aldermen Loring, Armstrong and Russell, be a standing committee on the Quarantine of vessels &c. Quarantine Com^{rs}.

Application of Henry Hovey, for a license to exhibit, at a building on Pond street, a four horned sheep, with a variety of other animals. Read & committed to Aldermen Oliver and Wells, to consider and report. Hovey.

Ordered, that the regular time of meetings of this board, be Mondays, at four o'clock, P. M. Time of meetings.

Adjourned to half past three o'clock, tomorrow afternoon

4.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Tuesday, the sixth day of January, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Fire department
Reservoirs.

Ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen Loring and Armstrong, be a standing committee on the fire department and reservoirs.

Engineer
Engines
N^o 17 & 20.

Communication was received from Daniel Bacon, senior engineer of the fire department, inclosing an application from Noah Brooks, praying, that an engine house may be erected at South Boston, for engine N^o 17, said engineer also suggests the propriety of providing a house for engine N^o 20. the location of said engine, being on Sea street.

Read and committed to the committee on the fire department, to consider and report.

Fire department
alteration of

Ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen Loring and Armstrong, with such as the common council may join, be a committee, to consider and report, if any, & what alterations are necessary to be made in the ordinance regulating the fire department, with leave to report by ordinance or otherwise. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the common council joined on its part Messrs Bigelow, Eveleth, Lane and Lowell.

The committee on the application 5.

of Henry Stover for a license for the exhibition of animals reported that leave be granted on payment of one dollar per week, subject to have the license taken away in case of complaints from the neighbors, that any riots or other inconveniences arise from keeping said animals. Read & accepted.

The several petitions of John P. Boyd & Dexter Boyd, and others, and Theodore Dexter, and others, for the use of Town Hall, on the fourth day of March next, for a public dinner, for the purpose of celebrating the inauguration of Andrew Jackson, as President of the United States, being read, and it appearing that the first mentioned petition was received and filed on the nineteenth day of November last, and the other on the twenty sixth day of December last, it is thereupon Ordered, that the use of said Hall for that day be granted to John P. Boyd, and others, they being the first applicants.

Petition of Edmund M. Blunt, praying, that the board, would subscribe for a survey of the coast of North America extending from Cape May to St. George's Bank, which he has just taken and published. Read & committed to Aldermen Russell and Lewis, to consider and report.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, p. m.

6.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday the twelfth day of January, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Rules & Orders

Order of the Common Council, directing that the joint rules and orders of the last City Council be adopted until further order. Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

Eliot School house.

Order of the Common Council, directing that the matters on the list of either branch of the City Council, relative to the alterations and repairs on the Eliot School house be referred to Messrs James, Pratt and Wagner with such as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider & report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Aldermen Oliver and Kendall are joined.

James Parks

James Parks

Petition of Benjamin Adams, and others to have their stock returned, and Eliza Parks and others against the same, and praying to be heard before the full board; and that the same may be postponed for that purpose. Read and thereupon ordered, that Messrs. Adams and others be assigned for their purpose of hearing the parties interested, and the parties now present agree to take notice. And in the mean time it is ordered, that the several petitions &

documents

documents accompanying the same, be committed to Aldermen J. Kendall and Russell, for the purpose of viewing the premises and ascertaining the cost of the same, and receiving the agreements of the parties.

Petition of Benjamin Rich, Father, Rich

praying, that a new marginal street may be laid out to extend south from Foster's wharf, Read and committed to the Mayor, Aldermen Spring and Russell, to engage S. P. Fuller, the Surveyor, to draw a plan of the estates, and the best mode of laying out a street as broad or not less than fifty feet wide, and report the same to this board. New street.

Communication from the auditor of Williams

accounts, stating, that a mortgage of John D. Williams, Esquire, to mortgage the City, to secure the payment of a note for fourteen thousand six hundred dollars which fell due on the first day of the present month, has been fully paid, as appears by a certificate on the mortgage. Read and thereupon ordered, that the Mayor be authorized to discharge said mortgage recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds, Libro 300, folio 133.

The committee to whom was referred, Blunt

a communication from Edmund W. Blunt report. That in consideration of the great services rendered to the public by him, in producing the most accurate charts of the American coast, now extant, the Mayor be authorized to subscribe for one

8. copy each of the two books prepared to be published by said Board, for the use of the City to be deposited in the Aldermen's room. Read and ordered to be laid upon the table.

Hayward

W. Moore Street

(Communication of Joshua A. Hayward in relation to a building on Waver street which he has erected and which has been complained of as violating the existing laws in relation to wooden buildings. Read and committed to the committee on the fire department, to consider and report.

H. of Industry

Ordered, that the petition or memorial of the Directors of the House of Industry presented to this board in March last, praying, that an engine may be procured for their establishment, be taken from the files and committed to the committee on the fire department, to consider and report.

Boston fire
bridge

Ordered, that Aldermen Hall and Lewis with such as the Common Council may join be a committee to superintend the finishing of the Boston fire bridge, and the avenue leading thereto, according to the orders and resolves of the City Council now in force, in relation to that subject. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part, Messrs. Waters, Perrin & Richardson.

(9)
(The board proceeded by lot 9).

lot. to the election of a committee on accounts, on its part Accounts
and the votes being taken, it appeared, that Aldermen Com^{ee} on
John S. Spring, and Samuel S. Armstrong, were chosen.
Sent down for concurrence: Came up concurred, & the
Common Council acted on its part, M^{rs} Joseph Eveleth,
Samuel Austin, Junior, and James B. Richardson.

Ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen, Common, Mall,
John Spring and Oliver, with such as the Common Council - He.
may join, be a standing committee on the Common,
Malls, Fort-hill and Coopers Hill. Sent down for con-
currence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council
joined on its part, M^{rs} Lowell, Starbuck, Wells and
Frost.

Ordered, that Aldermen, Mall, Burial grounds,
and Wells, with such as the Common Council may join, Cemeteries.
be a standing committee on the burial ground & cemeteries.
Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the
Common Council joined on its part M^{rs} Stevens & Isaac
Torrey.

Ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen, Public lands
Spring, Armstrong, & Hubbs, with such as the Common Council, Sale of,
may join, be a standing committee on the sale of Public lands.
Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and
the Common Council joined on its part, M^{rs} Austin,
Gould, Rayner, Eveleth and Parker.

10.

Ordered, that the Mayor & Aldermen Hale, with such as the Common Council may join, be a standing committee on Neck lands, whose duty it shall be to superintend said lands, and cause such improvements and repairs to be made thereon, as they may think necessary; to rent them; and in case of application for the purchase of any part thereof, to fix a price, and report the same to the City Council for their approbation. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part. Mep.^s Gibbens, Gill, Fisher and Willard.

Public buildings
Com^{rs}.

Ordered, that Aldermen Loring, Lincoln and Wells with such as the Common Council may join, be a standing committee upon public buildings, belonging to the City. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part. Mep.^s Parker (W.^o 3) Lincoln (W.^o 6) Cunningham and Gore.

Public buildings
Com^{rs}.

Ordered, that the committee on Public buildings be instructed to examine the several buildings belonging to the City and County, touching their safety as it regards fire and report such precautionary measures resulting from such examination, as they may judge expedient. -

Sent down for concurrence.
Came up concurred.

Ordered, that the Mayor, M.

Aldermen Hall, Armstrong and Wells, be a committee to carry into effect the proceedings of the last City Council in relation to filling up the Mill Creek and causing a sewer to be laid through the same.

Petition of Ebenezer Francis to Francis

be refunded the amount of a tax, which he alleges was unjustly applied upon him the last year. Read and committed to Aldermen Spring and Hall, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part, Messrs Lowell, Abbot & Triclar.

Ordered, that the Mayor, Alder Flats

and Spring, Armstrong and Wells with such as the Common Council may join, be a committee, with full power & authority, to cause the flats belonging to the City, lying at the eastward of Municipal Hall Market, to be filled up, according to a resolution of the City Council, passed the twenty seventh day of October last past, and with all the powers by said resolution vested in said committee including that of borrowing, according to the terms of said resolution, such sum, as may yet be necessary, for completing the objects thereof, on the terms and conditions therein expressed with the concurrence of three fourths of said committee, and of signing certificates to that effect; on which certificate being filed in the auditor's office, the Mayor Treasurer

12. Treasurer and Auditor of accounts are hereby authorized to issue certificates to that effect, for any sum so authorized by said committee. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part, Messrs. Pickman, Pratt, Fisher, & Wm. Fisher. Birmingham.

Hay
supplies.

Ordered, that Samuel Phillips, and John K. Bradford, be and hereby are appointed suppliers of hay, straw and merchandise, for the current year.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Simpson
Tanner Hall.

Petition of John K. Simpson, Father, praying that two good, safe and convenient doors in Tanner Hall be read and committed to the committee on public buildings, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Dame &
Wright

Petition of Abraham A. Dame, & William Wright, praying that a committee be appointed to confer with them, on their proposition to contract with the City for the erection of a wing extending from the south side of their wharf, near the northern end of the Boston fer bridge, and in a proper direction towards the draw, as the best means of increasing the accommodations necessary to facilitate the passage of vessels through the canal. Read and committed to Aldermen Loring and Lewis, with such as the

The Common Council may join to consider and report. 13.

Sent down for concurrence? Came up, concurred, and the Common Council joined in its part. Messrs. Everett, Gibbons and Bigelow.

Ordered, that Aldermen, Hen- Gaol Hafford, tall, Kupell and Wells, be a standing committee on the Gaol and House of Correction.

Ordered, that Aldermen Loring Markel, Lewis and Kendall, be a standing committee on the Market.

Account of the expenditures of Overseers of the Poor. Read and committed to the committee on accounts. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

John H. Everett, William B. Parker, Firemen, and John D. Wood, nominated & appointed firemen. Ward No. 12.

Rudd & Moore give notice that they Rudd & Moore, are about building on Lynn Street. Read & committed to Aldermen Lynn St. Oliver & Wells, to consider & report.

Christopher Gore, member of Com. Council announced Ward No. 1, Charles C. Harbuck, Ward No. 10, attended by W. Adams, members, and the several oaths required by law, were administered to them by the Mayor.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

14.

A meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the nineteenth day of January, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present:

The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen.

Marsh,
Pleasant st.

Petition of Ephraim Marsh, praying that the common sewer, leading from Pleasant Street, may be further continued, in order to drain the estates in the vicinity. Read and committed to Aldermen Hall & Lewis, to consider and report.

Surveyors of
Highways.

Order of the Common Council appointing the Mayor and Aldermen Surveyors of highways of said City for the year ensuing. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Foster

Petition of Sarah Foster, praying that she may have a hearing before the board of Aldermen in relation to land taken to widen Washington Street at the corner of Bedford Street, and that she may be allowed a further sum than what was allowed by the former board of Aldermen. Read and committed to Aldermen Kendall & Russell, to consider and report.

Auctioneer

Charles E. Richardson, nominated and appointed an Auctioneer, place of business Water Street.

The committee of the second 15.

Baptist Church give notice, that they are desirous that the City should give up the possession of the land on State Street, on which engine N^o 3 now stands, on or before the first day of April next, unless the City should wish to purchase the same. Read and committed to the committee on the fire department, to consider and report.

The committee to whom was Engine N^o 17.
referred the communication of the senior engineer of the fire department, inclosing an application of engine company N^o 17, praying, that a new house for their accommodation may be erected at South Boston, report, that a new house be erected as prayed for. Read and accepted, and referred to the committee on the fire department to carry the same into effect.

Thomas W. Phillips, Esq. Secretary School Com^{ee}.
of the School committee, in behalf of said committee gives notice in notice that a vacancy exists in said committee, there being Ward N^o 8.
no person legally elected in Ward N^o 8. Read & thereupon ordered, that a warrant be issued, for a new choice on Monday, the second day of February, next, 12 o'clock M.
The polls to be kept open until three o'clock P. M.

The Proprietors of the Tremont Tremont house,
house hotel, pray, that they may have liberty to plant two
trees in a line with the trees in front of the Granary,
burying

16. burying grounds, which trees they are now about removing from their land, south of their Hotel. Read and the prayer thereof granted, the same to be done under the direction of the Mayor.

Carney
City Charter
alteration.

Petition of Daniel Carney, and others proposing to have sundry amendments made to the City Charter. Read and committed in Common Council to Messrs James Adams and Tichenor, with such as the Board of Aldermen might join, to consider and report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, & the Mayor and Alderman Hall are joined.

Wheeler
Pleasant St.

Petition of William H. Wheeler, and others, praying, that Pleasant street may be retraced, the side walks retained, and the street generally retained. Read and committed to Aldermen Hall and Lewis, to consider & report.

Haskins
Washington St.

Petition of Thomas Haskins, & others, praying, remuneration for land taken to widen Washington street, in front of the Lafayette Hotel. Read and committed to Aldermen Hall and Lewis, to consider and report.

Davenport
Poor debtors.

Petition of Rufus Davenport, praying for some alteration in the laws in relation to the confinement of poor debtors. Read & committed to the committee on the Good Co. to consider and report.

Notice of Engine company No. 5, 17.

for the election of a foreman and other officers of said company, giving the names of the candidates, & praying that the same may be confirmed, and certificates of their appointment issued accordingly. Read and committed to the committee on the fire department, to consider & report.

Engine
No. 5.

Proctor and Palmer, in behalf of Proctor & Palmer
George Bethun, give notice, that the owner is about building Bethun
at the corner of Elm street and Dock square, in front of the Dock square Elm St.
City do not intend to take any of the land to widen
the street. Read and committed to Aldermen Kendall &
Rupell, to consider and report.

Petition of John A. Stevens, of Stevens.
Charlestown, praying remuneration of damage done to his
chaise, by reason of falling into a hole in a certain high
way or street at South Boston. Read and committed to
Aldermen Hall and Lewis, to consider and report.

Petition of the Mercantile Wharf Mer. Whf. Corp.
Incorporation, praying, that the City would pay the sum
of fifteen thousand dollars, conformable to the agreement made
with said Corporation on the completion of Marginal street.
Read and committed in Common Council to Messrs James,
Cicotte, & Bradley, with such as the board of Aldermen might join,
to consider & report. Came up for con. ^{Read & conveyed} The Mayor & Alderman Wells
are joined.

18.

Petition of William Wright &

Abraham & James, presented to the Legislature, with an order of notice thereon, stating that they have commenced the building of several wharves extending from the easterly side of the solid part of Sea street and that the same would be mutually beneficial to the owners and the public, and praying the grant of an act of the Legislature authorizing them to complete said wharf upon such terms and conditions as may be deemed expedient and proper. Read and committed to the committee who have under consideration a petition from the above named persons in relation to the same subject, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Wood measurers

Ordered, that John E. Bradford, James Wilson, William Fisk and William Mattuck be and each are appointed measurers of wood and bark, for the current year.

Theatres

licensed

Ordered, that the licenses of the several Theatres be renewed upon the same terms and conditions the present year as they were the last viz: to pay one thousand dollars each, and give bonds with sufficient surety.

Babbot

Watchmen.

Petition of Cyrus Babbot, and others,

Watchmen; for additional compensation for their services, & sundry citizens praying that their said petition may be granted. Read and committed to Aldermen Spring &

Russell

Rupell, with such as the Common Council may join, to 19.
consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Leame,
sup. concerned, and the Common Council joined on its part,
Messrs Everett, Minns and Turner.

Memorial of the Directors of the Juvenile
House for the employment and reformation of Juvenile offenders.
for sundry alterations of the law establishing said
institution. Read and committed to the Mayor and
Alderman Kendall, with such as the Common Council
may join, to consider and report. Sent down for con-
currence.

The committee on the subject of Doane
widening Doane street, made a report which was read, sheet.
and Friday next, half past three o'clock, P. M. was
assigned to taking the same into consideration, and hearing
the parties in relation to the subject.

Ordered, that a copy of the City Ordinances.
ordinances be delivered to each member of the City Council
who have not already received one.

Adjourned to Friday next, half past, three o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Friday, the twenty third day of January, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Doane
street.

Agreeably to apPOINTMENT, the board proceeded to the consideration of the petition of Benjamin Adams, and others, praying, that Doane street be widened by cutting off a part of an old store, belonging to Elisha Parks, which he is about repairing, at the corner of said street and Hilby street; and the remonstrance of said Parks and others against the same. And now, after the examination of divers credible witnesses, and a full hearing of the parties by their respective Council, the further consideration of the subject was postponed to the next meeting.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of M.
Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the twenty
sixth day of January, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present -

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Ordered, that the report of the Land west of
committee of the last City Council, and the several docu Charles street:
ments accompanying the same, in relation to the land be
longing to the City, west of Charles street, be committed
to the Mayor, Aldermen Hall and Lewis, to consider and
report.

Ordered, that the petition of George Homer
of Homer, claiming land at the westerly end of Charles Charles st.
street, near Lynn street, which has heretofore been used as a
part of said street. Read and committed to Aldermen
Oliver and Wells, to consider and report.

Petition of the Proprietors of the Boston Theatre
Boston Theatre, praying that the sum to be paid for a
license for said Theatre may be reduced; and that the same
may be divided into two parts, and they be permitted to
take out a license for a period of six months, from the
first day of January, instant. Read and committed to the
Mayor & Alderman Russell, to consider and report.

James Wilson nominated & appointed a Crier

Common Crier.

Green Dragon
Union street.

Petition of the proprietors of the Green Dragon Tavern, for remuneration for land taken to widen Union street. Read and committed to the Mayor, Aldermen Oliver and Wells, to consider and report.

Hills.
Union street.

Petition of George Hills, praying to be remunerated for land taken to widen Union street. Read and committed to the Mayor, Aldermen Oliver and Wells, to consider and report.

Hall
Elm street.

Petition of Jonathan P. Hall, and others, praying that Elm street may be widened at its entrance on Dock square, by taking a part of the land under the buildings recently burnt. Read and committed to the Mayor, Aldermen Kentland and Russell to consider and report.

Thickerman

Memorial of the Reverend Doctor Joseph Thickerman, stating, that the number of boys is large, who are seen, evening at or about one or the other of our Theatres, and that the passion for the Theatres in very many of the boys of our City is daily leading them deeper into intemperance, dishonesty and all moral debasement, a smaller number of these boys go to the Tremont Theatre, than to either of the others, principally it is believed from the higher price which is demanded there for admission; and that many of the boys have confessed to the memorialist that they have stolen money to buy tickets. Wherefore he prays, that a committee may

be appointed to take this subject into their consideration & 23.

that he may have permission to speak before them respecting it.

Read and committed to Aldermen Wendall, L. Armstrong
to consider and report.

Petition of John Simmons, Others, Simmons

stating, that there is a deficiency in the lot of land which
they bought of the City, on Merchants Row, and Ann
street, of about four inches on the street, and running back
the same width to the back line, sixty feet, making a
deficiency of twenty square feet - and praying remuneration
for the same. Read and committed to Aldermen Glover
and Wells, to consider and report.

Petition of the Directors of the Dir. H. of Industry

House of Industry, praying, that a fire engine may be pro-
vided for that institution at South Boston. Read and committed
to the committee on the fire department, to consider and
report.

Petition of Engine company N^o 12, Engine

praying, that their present engine may be transferred to the N^o 12
House of Industry, and that a new one be provided for them.
Read and committed to the committee on the fire department
to consider and report.

Petition of Engine company N^o 4 Engine

praying, that their engine may be thoroughly repaired, or a
N^o 4.
new

24. new one built. Read and committed to the committee on the fire department. to consider and report.

Engine
N^o 5.

Ordered, that the several officers returned by engine company N^o 5, be approved, with the exception of the foreman, and he is not approved by this board.

Engine
N^o 14.

The several names of the officers & men as elected by the company of engine N^o 14, be and they hereby are approved by this board, and that certificates be issued accordingly.

Holland
Harvard St.

Petition of Thomas Holland, praying, that the land over which Harvard street is laid as a water way, be filled up, and used as a carriage way, in such manner as to promote the interest of the City. Read and committed to Aldermen Hall and Lewis, to consider and report.

Fire Dept.

Petition of the fire department, stating that the several individuals composing said department are exposed to much danger in the time of fires, & that it is very difficult to obtain the requisite complement of men, by means of which their duty is much increased. Wherefore they pray, that an application may be made to the Legislature to obtain an act by which every person who has been an active member of said department, for five

successive

successive years, may be forever after exempted from military 25.
duties, excepting in cases of war, or other emergency. Read
and committed to the Committee who have under consid-
eration the subject of altering the ordinance in relation to
the fire department, to consider and report. Sent down for
concurrence. Came up concurred.

Petition of Josiah Quincy, Esquire, Quincy
stating, that he and Jonathan Phillips, Esquire, as trustees under
the will of William Phillips, Esquire deceased, purchased a certi-
cate of City stock of ten thousand dollars, five and a half
per cent. payable in 1844. The back of which being so filled
up, it is impossible to make any new endorsement. Wherefore
he prays, that a new certificate may be issued in their names
as trustees as aforesaid. Read and committed to the Mayor,
with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and
report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred,
and the Common Council joined on its part Messrs Lovell
and Pickman.

Orders of the Common Council, instructing Public lands
ing the committee on ^{A.} Neck lands to consider the expediency, Comtee instructed
of adopting a regular system for the gradual sale of the City
lands, with a view of applying the proceeds of the same to
the reduction of the City debt; and that said committee
be authorized to submit a plan for that purpose to the City
Council, if they shall deem it expedient to act upon the subject.
Read and passed in Common Council. Came up for concur-

—rence

26. rence? Read and concurred, with an amendment, at A
struck out "neck" and in lieu thereof, insert, "the sake of
public.

stood down for concurrence.

Carver not concurred.

Stevens

The committee to whom was referred
the petition of John A. Stevens, praying compensation for damage
done a chair by upsetting in a passage way leading to South
Boston^{St.} bridge, have enquired into the circumstances and ask
leave to report, That the place was not as represented
in the petition in Broadway street, or indeed in any public
street belonging to the City. It was on land belonging to
an individual, who had made an excavation therein for his
own purposes and not under any control of the City, it was
left unprotected. The travelers however by taking a street
one or two rods westward might have passed it is believed
without accident. The committee recommend, that the
Petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

James Hall, for the Committee
Read and accepted.

Hayward

The committee on the petition
of Joshua St. Hayward in relation to a building which
he has erected near Hanover street, and which has been
complained of as violating the existing laws in relation to
the erection of wooden buildings Report, that the petitioner
have leave to withdraw his petition. Read & accepted.

Mayor's message.

To the City Council.

27.

Gentlemen: The ordinance organizing the fire department, provides, that the Engineers be chosen in January of each year. A joint committee has been appointed to consider & report upon the alterations, which it may be expedient to make in that ordinance. They have had several meetings on the subject which is important; but they have not yet been able to mature a report. As the alterations which may eventually be made in the ordinance will have a bearing upon appointments which may be made under it when altered: I think proper respectfully to recommend, and do hereby recommend the passing of a temporary ordinance extending the time of appointing those engineers throughout the month of February, for the present year, and of authorizing the Mayor and Aldermen to appoint either of the existing board of Engineers to perform the duties of Chief Engineer until a new board be elected.

Mayor's message.
fire depart.

M. G. Otis, Mayor.

Read and sent down

An ordinance for extending the offices of the Engineers of the fire department. Read and passed. sent down for concurrence: Learned up concurred with an amendment. Read and concurred.

Engineers
fire depart.

Moses Hadley nominated and appointed, a wood measurer, for the year ensuing, at West Boston or Cambridge bridge.

Woodmeasurer

Far &
Street

Agreeably to assignment, the Board again look into consideration the subject of widening Doane Street, and after mature deliberation it was thereupon

Resolved, that the public safety and convenience require that Doane Street be widened from Kilby Street to Broad Street, to the width of thirty feet; provided that the same can be effected, and the buildings and obstructions removed at an expense to the City, which in addition to the sum of fifteen hundred dollars already appropriated to that object shall not exceed the sum of two thousand dollars. And that the Mayor and Alderman Wells be a committee to ascertain whether the same can be effected, at the said expense and to report the result to this Board.

Mer. Whf. Corp.

The committee on the petition of the proprietors of the Mercantile Wharf Corporation, praying that the City would pay the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, agreeably to the agreement made with said Corporation, on the completion of Wingman Street. Report, that by the terms of the agreement between the City and the Mercantile Wharf Corporation dated 10th September, 1827, which is specially referred to. The City agreed among other things to make a bridge of fifty feet in width connecting a street therein described called Wingman Street, with the west side of the Mill Creek; on or before the second day of June then next, the cost of said bridge to be deducted from the first payment of moneys which in said agreement is stipulated to be made by said City to said Mercantile

Mercantile wharf corporation, and which is hereinafter alluded to. 20.
The City further covenanted in said agreement to open & Mac Millan
lay out second street over its own land, and remove the buildings
from the same. The City further agreed, that whoever said
corporation should have completed a street therein mentioned,
called marginal street to a point or line not more than six
ty feet distant from Exchange wharf, and shall also have
opened the street in Ellis's wharf, and when it shall
also have finished and completed said second street as far
as Shaw's wharf, and the street leading in Shaw's wharf,
as in said agreement described, that then the City will
cause to be paid to said Mercantile wharf corporation the
sum of fifteen thousand dollars. The corporation have com-
pleted the marginal street, which has been accepted by the
City government. But they have not finished & completed
said second street nor commenced their operations upon it,
and without taking into view their agreement respecting the
street in Ellis's wharf and in Shaw's wharf, which last
is in a fair way of being completed; The committee have
limited their inquiry to the question, whether the corpora-
tion are entitled to demand of the City the above fifteen
thousand dollars without finishing and completing second
street as aforesaid. After the execution of the aforesaid
agreement, it was thought by the Mayor & Aldermen to be
advantageous to all parties that the Mill Creek should
be filled up, and in that event, the use of the bridge con-
necting second street with the west side of said Creek would
be

30. he succeeded by continuing said street over solid land,
North of the place where said bridge was intended to be
built; and as to this end, it became necessary to extinguish
certain claims of the Mill Pond Corporation, and others to
said creek, application was made to the Corporation for their
consent to the measure, and to the postponement of the build-
ing of the bridge, and thereupon certain votes were passed by
said Corporation which are annexed to this report. From the
whole of these proceedings, it appears, that the Corporation
consented to the postponement of the building of the bridge,
as expressed in said votes, upon condition, that they should
not be held to finish and complete second street until
the bridge was built. It is now considered by the Cor-
poration, that they are entitled to receive the fifteen thou-
sand dollars, because as they allege, the finishing of second
street was delayed at the request and for the accommo-
dation of the City merely, and that no advantage might
be taken of that circumstance justifying the delay of
payment. It is true that the consent of the Corporation
to the building said bridge was for the accommodation
of the City; but the consideration required and granted
for that accommodation was a postponement of the com-
pleting of second street. It was not required of the City,
to waive the condition on which the money was to be
paid, nor to relinquish the lien which the City had
upon it as a security for such completion. To insist
on the payment of the money before the finishing of second
street

street is to interpose a new consideration for the postponement 31.
of the building of the bridge, not mentioned in the votes of
the Corporation or agreed to by the City, and the committee
therefore report, that the further consideration of this sub-
ject be postponed to the second meeting in May next.
Which is submitted. Mr. G. Ellis, Chairman,
Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.
Carry it over.

Communication of the building City Guards
committee of the Light Infantry company of City Guards, amount
stating, that they have completed the armory in January
last, and that it will be opened for the reception of
visitors, and for the approbation of the Board at ten o'clock
A. M. on Friday next. Read and committed to the com-
mittee on the ~~joint~~ ^{joint} ~~substantive~~ Market, to consider and
Report.

Petition of Aaron Wallis, training, Wallis
that the common sewer in Bartlett Street may be repaired Bartlett Street
or relaid. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and
Wells, to consider and Report.

Ordered, that the account of the City Smith
against Benjamin Smith, for the amount he is owing a debt with
be committed to the Mayor, with authority to cause audit to be con-
ducted.

Adjourned, to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

(At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City, of Boston, on Monday the second day of February, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Mer. Whf. Corp.

Petition of Mercantile Wharf Corporation, praying, that a committee be appointed with full powers on the part of the City, to make arrangements with said Corporation for the removal of the Island, wharf, and Common Dock established by the City and said Corporation. Read and committed in Common Council to Messrs Austin, James and Bigelow, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider and report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and the Mayor and Alderman Spring are joined.

H. of Industry.

Order of the Common Council approved, appointing Messrs Waters, Fisher and Bigelow, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, a committee to take into consideration the memorial of the Directors of the House of Industry on the subject of an alteration in the laws governing said offenders committed to their charge; and that said committee be directed to enquire into the discipline of said institution, and to obtain such facts in relation to any alteration of the law which in their opinion may be found necessary. Came up for con^{se}. Read & con^{se}. The Mayor & Alderman Kentall are joined.

On

The demand of the Proprietors 33.

of the Green Dragon tavern, against the City for land, buildings Green Dragon
taken down, from the same, for the purpose of widening Union Union street.
street. Read and committed to the Mayor, Aldermen Oliver
Wells, to consider and report.

On the Petition of John D. Williams

Williams, and the requisite number of qualified voters, ordered, Rail road,
that a warrant be issued for a general meeting at Annual Warrant for
Hall, on Tuesday, the tenth day of February, instant, at seven o'clock,
o'clock, P. M. then and there to give in their ballots, yea
or nay, upon the following resolutions. viz:

1. Resolved, that in our opinion it is expedient for the Com-
monwealth to construct a rail road, on the most eligible
route from Boston, to the western line of the County of Berk-
shire; so that in conjunction with the authorities of the State
of New York, it may be extended to the most desirable point
on the Hudson river near Albany or Troy;— And also,
from Boston, to the Pawtucket river at or near Providence;
in the State of Rhode Island.

2. Resolved, in case the Legislature should deem it inea-
pedient to construct said rail roads, wholly at the expense
of the State, that the City government be authorized and
requested to apply to the Legislature for an act to enable any
Cities, towns or bodies corporate or individuals to subscribe to
such portion of said stock, as may not be taken by the State,
on such terms & conditions as may be deemed expedient.

34.

Petition of Gardiner, Greene, and

others, praying, that the ancient name of Tremont may be restored and given to the whole line of street now designated as Common street. Read and committed to the Mayor, Aldermen Russell and Lewis, to consider and report.

Lowne

Petition of S. Towne, and others,

Castle street, praying, that the common sewer, passing through the duke on the westerly side of Washington street, in a range with Castle street, may be removed and placed on a line agreed on by the City in Castle street. Read and committed to the Mayor, Aldermen Hall and Lewis to consider and report.

Brown

Petition of William Brown, praying,

Van St. that Vance street may not be widened under the resolutions passed by this board, until his objections to that measure shall have been heard and considered. Read and committed to the Mayor, Aldermen Birdall, Russell, to consider and report.

Hill

The undersigned who were appointed

Vanover St by the annexed agreement to estimate the value of the land "taken by the City, to widen Vanover street in front of Engine house No. 1, called Old Mills" after deliberation to-wit, that said City pay to Nathaniel Little Collier, two dollars and twenty five cents, per square foot, understanding by a certificate from S. P. Fuller, that the quantity

of land thus taken amounts to seventy nine feet.

35.

Respectfully submitted.

Wesman Lincoln
Charles Wells.

Read and accepted, and ordered, that the money be paid accordingly amounting in the whole to one hundred seventy seven dollars and seventy six cents.

The committee on the petition of Daniel Learner, and others, suggesting that an alteration might be made in the City Charter, giving to the warden and inspectors in the respective wards, the right to receive the vote of any person duly qualified to vote, though his name be not on the voting list, respectfully report. That desirable as it undoubtedly is to secure to every citizen his right of suffrage, it would, not be expedient to adopt the plan suggested by the petitioners. To grant the power of receiving votes to the Warden and Inspectors not borne upon the voting lists, would be to give them the power of deciding upon the qualification of voters amid the urgent business of an election. Such a power would be liable to great interruption in its exercise under such unfavourable circumstances, would produce disputes and delay, and give rise to different decisions in different wards, under similar circumstances and evidence. It would also tend to render the lists of voters imperfect in the end result, as the citizens would be remiss in procuring their names to be entered, knowing that the remedy could be had at the polls. — On the whole subject the committee

36. will refer to a report made December 22^d 1828, to the
Carney's last City Council, (which was then printed and distributed
City Charter among the members) for an elaborate exposition of facts &
principles connected with this subject. — It is on the whole
believed that whatever improvement can be made in the means
of enabling the citizen to ascertain whether his name be inserted
on the list of voters, and to enable him to have it thus
placed prior to the election, ought to be adopted. — But
that no government is bound to protect its citizens against
negligence and inattention to their own privileges. In
respect to another object of the petitioners, viz. an amendment
of the charter providing for the choice of Mayor, in the
event of no choice being made before the commencement of
the municipal year: The committee are of opinion that
such amendment should be made, but as it is possible that
some other amendments of that instrument may upon due
consideration be found proper; it is deemed expedient that
the whole subject of amending the charter should be referred
for further consideration. They therefore submit the following
resolutions.

Resolved, That the assessor be requested & directed
to take proper measures for making out the voting lists in
each ward by noting the names of the qualified voters at
the time of making out the tax lists, so that the voting
lists may be completed in each ward as near as may
be at the same time with the tax list of such ward. &
That they prepare and transmit to the Mayor & Aldermen

corrected

corrected voting lists of all the wards on or before the first 31.
day of October in each year.

Resolved: That it shall be the duty of the Mayor
and Aldermen, as soon as they shall have received a certified
transcript of the voting lists pursuant to the foregoing resolution
to cause a copy thereof to be posted in some public place in
each ward, and to give public notice in one or more news-
papers of the several places in which such list shall be
posted.

per order, M. G. Otis, Chairman.

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred?

The committee on the notice of Amory
John Amory's intention to build on Washington street, no Washington st.
port. That they are of opinion that it is not necessary to
take any order in relation to the subject thereof, the build-
ing about to be erected being of wood, and only ten feet high,
offers no serious obstacle to the widening the street, at
any part of it, whenever a favorable opportunity shall be
presented. This widening of Washington street, your com-
mittee indulge a hope will never be lost sight of by
this board in its successors, for the attainment of which
so much has already been done and which has met with
so much of the public approbation. John V. Loring, for
the committee.

Read and accepted.

James V. S. Rogers, nominated, appointed to Rogers
keep an Intelligence office N. 18 Union Street.

38.

Ordered, that Aldermen Kendall

and Russell be a committee to carry into effect an order of the last City Council, appropriating a sum of money for the purpose of fitting up the basement story of the Boylston School house as a ward room for ward N^o 9.

Paddon.

Petition of J. Paddon, praying

that Cedar street may be called by some other name and that a lane be placed therein. Read and committed to Aldermen Loring & Armstrong, to consider & report.

Pickens

Petition of John Pickens, for an

abatement of taxes the last year, and that the amount of taxes which he paid the two preceding years may be refunded to him, he having been involuntarily separated at the time an inhabitant of Roxbury. Read and committed to Aldermen Loring and Hall, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part. Mess^{rs} Lowell, Abbott & Bigelow.

Fire dep^t

The committee to whom was referred the order to consider and report if any and what alterations are necessary to be made in the ordinance regulating the fire department. Report as their opinion, that it is not expedient at this time to make any alterations in said ordinance. Which is submitted.

M. G. Otis, Chairman M^o order.

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. 30.
Carried up concurred.

The committee of the City Wright & Dame.
Council to whom was referred the petition of William Wright
and Abraham A. Dame, praying for leave to extend a wing,
from the southerly side of their wharf, and near the north
end of the Boston Free bridge, and proposing to contract for erect-
ing additional facilities for passing the draw of said bridge,
respectfully report, that they are not informed that it is
the intention of the City government to erect additional fa-
cilities for passing the draw of said bridge, but believe that
every thing has been done which is necessary to do in re-
lation thereto. That they have carefully examined the
situation where it is intended to build the proposed wharf,
and find it entirely within the limits of the public channel,
the jurisdiction of which belonging exclusively to the Common-
wealth, the City government have no authority either to
grant or deny the prayer of the petitioners. The com-
mittee cannot however refrain from expressing an opinion,
that if permission be granted to build a wharf in the situ-
ation proposed by the petitioners, it will be raising another
obstacle to the free navigation of this part of the channel,
will greatly increase the difficulties of passing the draw of the
said bridge, and may have the effect ultimately to destroy or
materially injure the channel itself. The committee recommend
that leave be given to the petitioners to withdraw their
petition

10. Petition. To which is submitted, by order of the Committee.

John S. Loring, (Chairman)

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

City Solicitor

Myrick.

Communication from Charles P. Curtis,

Esquire, City Solicitor, stating, that he has obtained judgment and execution against John W. Myrick, in favor of the City, and has caused the execution to be levied on certain real estate of the judgment debtor situated near North Second street. The land set off to the City contains about one hundred and eighty square feet, and is covered by a wooden building, which is part of a large edifice owned by said Myrick. The access to it is by a passage way from said street near the Elliot School house. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and Wells, to consider and report.

Sullivan

Petition of William Sullivan, Father of Samuel Hall for the use of Faneuil Hall, for the purpose of a public ball, in honor of the birth day of Washington. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and Loring, to consider and report.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday the ninth
day of February, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Petition of Daniel Mepinger, and
others, praying, that Reservoirs may be constructed in Backing
ton Street, above the Old South Church. Read and committed
in Common Council to Messrs. Simonds, Ellis, and Thaxter
with such as the board of Aldermen might join to consider
and report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred,
and the Mayor, Aldermen Loring & Armstrong are joined.

The committee on the application of William Sullivan, Esquire, and others, for permission to use
Faneuil Hall, for a public ball on the 23^d instant.

Report, that the request of the applicants be granted;
such alterations as may be necessary to be done with the
approbation and under the direction of a committee of this
board; and reserving the right to appoint one or more per-
sons for the purpose of taking care of the fires & lights
at the expense of the applicants. John S. Loring for ye. om.

Read and accepted, and ordered, that the former committee
be authorized to carry the same into effect.

Ordered, that Ald. Loring & Armstrong be Comd^y acc^{ts}
a com^{rs} on Comd^y accounts.

42.

Communication from Joseph Gale,
 Junior, Esquire, Mayor of the City of Washington, stating that
 the name of a person of that City, on whom a correspondence
 Councils shall may be entered into by any person who may be engaged
 in this City, in order to give and receive information in
 relation to Councils and stolen goods. Read and committed
 to the Mayor, with authority to designate such person.

Auditor of acc^t

Communication from the auditor
 of acc^t requesting a statement of the respective amounts,
 widening which are deemed necessary for the trading and widening of streets
 and for widening streets for the next financial year. Read,
 and committed to a Committee consisting of Messrs. Irving & Armstrong, to consider
 and report.

Ch. Eng. for
 1861

Thomas C. Amory, Esquire, ~~has~~
 been nominated and appointed Chief Engineer of the
 fire department, for the present year. Sent down for con-
 currence. Came up concurred.

Engineers
 for 1861

Daniel C. Bacon, George Purracott,
 Benjamin Darling, Horace Fox, Henry Fowler, Junior, Joseph D.
 Emory, Alpheus Holton, Joel Prouty, James Clarke, Nathan
 Miles, Mark Weare, and Benjamin E. Reed, Junior, were
 nominated and appointed by a unanimous vote, engineers of
 the fire department, the present year to take rank in the order
 in which they stand. Sent down for concurrence.
 Came up concurred.

Flavel Case, was nominated 43.

and appointed Captain of the Watch and Superintendent Watch & Lamps of lamps, for the year ensuing.

The board proceeded to the Sup. of streets, nomination and appointment of a Superintendent of streets, for the present year, and the votes being taken, it appeared that Enoch Patterson was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

The committee on the applica Quincy
tion of Josiah Quincy, Esq. for a new certificate of City Stock
stock reported the following order, to authorize the issuing
of certificates of City stock in certain cases, as follows viz:
(Ordered, That whenever any person holding any note,
certificate of stock, or other obligations given by the City,
for money borrowed or debts due from the City, shall
make application for a transfer of the said obligation, or for
a new certificate or new certificates of such debt, the Mayor,
the City Treasurer, and the Auditor of accounts do and they
are hereby authorized, if in their judgment it shall be
proper, to issue a new certificate or new certificates, when
the original obligation shall have been entirely cancelled;
provided, that no certificate or certificates, issued under this
order, shall exceed in amount, the original evidence of debt
which shall be thus cancelled; that the rate of interest,
and the time of payment, shall be the same in the new

18. is in the old obligation; and that the purpose for which such note, certificate, or other obligation, was originally issued, shall be fully satisfied in the new certificate or certificate issued by virtue of this order. Read and accepted, &c. the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Juvenile offenders

The committee to whom was referred the memorial of the Directors of the institution for juvenile offenders, and the instructions of the City Council, relative thereto; respectfully Report, that they repaired to the site of the institution, for the purpose of inspecting, & examining, into the state of its discipline, government and general condition, and had a full conference and comparison of views with the directors and superintendents of said house, and of the House of Industry, with which the same is in some measure connected. And after due inquiry & examination into the premises, the committee are gratified in expressing their approbation of the fidelity, industry and ability which are manifested in the administration of the affairs of the institution by the directors and other officers and their persuasion of the real advantage resulting and promised to the City and Commonwealth, from the system established and enforced by those who have the management of it, in all the departments, and that the thanks of the community are specially due to those individuals, who have devoted themselves in devoting their time and attention to the advancement

ment of its interests, with no other reward, but that of 45.
conscious benevolence, and a regard to the cause of humanity. *Juvenile offenders.*

The committee however are of opinion, that the law establishing this institution is defective in some particulars, that doubts and embarrassment have arisen and that errors may take place for want of a more precise definition of the powers and duties of the officers with the utmost intention.

The institution itself is a new experiment, and can be advanced towards perfection only by engrafting upon it from time to time such amendments as experience may justify.

Those which seem to the committee to be of more immediate urgency will appear in a bill accompanying this report, and alluded to in the following resolution which is herewith submitted viz:

Resolved, as the opinion of the City Council that it is expedient to amend the act, entitled, "An act concerning Juvenile offenders in the City of Boston," in the manner proposed by the bill accompanying this report. And that the Senators of the County of Suffolk, and the Representatives of this City be requested to carry to the Legislature and procure the passing of said bill into a law. And should be the pleasure of the Legislature, with such modifications or amendments as may be made to the same. By order, W. L. Ellis Chairman.

Read & accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Referred to a special committee in Common Council who made a report which was accepted. Vide page 77.

Mayor's message
Wharves.

Having seen in the public papers, notice of divers applications to the Legislature by the proprietors of wharves at the northern part of the City, for permission to extend their wharves into the channel of this harbour - and recollecting a late extension of the wharf of the City Council on a memorial of William Wright and Abraham F. Davis, that a similar permission in their case might be injurious to the interest of the City, in the free navigation of the channel, I thought it my duty to request of the Legislature a suspension of proceedings in the premises until your pleasure could be ascertained in respect to it. The subject is obviously of great importance. It is quite conceivable that in certain situations, the wharves may be extended to some reasonable length into the channel without detriment to the harbour - But it is certainly to be expected that privileges granted to one set of proprietors will be claimed with great importunity by others, and that embarrassment may arise to the City government from precedents established without due consideration. It by no means follows of course that, because a licence may be granted to extend a wharf in a place, where the channel is wide, and where the current would not be injuriously affected, a similar permission should be given in other cases to which the dimensions of the channel and the effect upon the current would present objections - But caution and deliberate examination by impartial judges would seem requisite

requisite to make the proper discrimination, and to prescribe limits and terms to every such license, as well as to the mode of carrying it into effect. In some positions wharves erected on piles might be tolerated, which if of solid construction would be formidable nuisances. On the whole it has occurred to me, that it may be found expedient to provide for the appointment of Commissioners from merchants and others acquainted with the circumstances of the harbor, to examine and report upon every such application such facts and opinions as may guide the City government, in deciding on its merits, and that every permission granted by the Legislature should be on condition, that the work be executed in a mode satisfactory to agents of the City government, charged with the inspection of the same. And that in any event, the Representatives of the City be requested to solicit from the Legislature a postponement of these subjects until opportunity can be afforded for a full consideration and digest of the very important points which can not fail to arise upon a full view of the bearing of the proposed encroachments upon the channel. No inconvenience nor delay can happen to the applicants, equivalent to the injury which might arise from precipitate legislation.

Wm. G. Otis, Mayor.

Read and committed to the Mayor, Aldermen Loring and Lewis, to consider and report.

The committee to whom Wharves was referred the message from the Mayor, on the subject of
divers

48. licors applications made to the Legislature, by individuals for license to extend their wharves into the channel of this Harbour. Report the following resolutions.

Resolved, That the Mayor be requested to present to the Legislature a remonstrance in behalf of the City Council, praying for a postponement of all such applications, until opportunity can be afforded to the City government to deliberate upon, and present to the Legislature some project of regulations adapted to the situation of the wharves in this City, for their appropriation, unless it may be thought expedient by the Legislature to delegate the entire power touching this subject to the City authorities.

Resolved, That in case any committee of the Legislature to whom the above, or similar applications may be referred, should recommend to the Legislature that provision be made by law for vesting the above mentioned power in the City government, that the City Clerk, under the instructions of the Mayor & Aldermen, be directed to prepare and cause to be presented to the Legislature a bill for carrying such powers into effect. Read and accepted, & the resolves passed. Sent down for concurrence.

C.3 Nonconcurrent in Common Council, New order passed, vide page 55.

Adjourn

Petition of A. C. Cooper, praying that she may be paid for services rendered in the City, by her late husband Stephen Cooper, dec. Read and committed to the Mayor, to consider and report.

Application of Wm. Snelling, 49.

praying for a grant of two hundred dollars, to pay the expenses incurred by him in making abstracts and indices of the records of deeds of the County of Suffolk, authorized by a vote of the former Board of Aldermen. Read & committed to Aldermen Irving and Armstrong, to consider & report.

Adjourned to meet at Faneuil Hall, to morrow, eleven o'clock, A. M. for the purpose of attending the general meeting in relation to the rail roads.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at Faneuil Hall, on Tuesday the tenth day of February Anno Domini 1827.
Present -

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

The proceedings of this meeting are recorded in the book kept for the purpose of recording the doings at general meetings of the Citizens. General meeting

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock P. M.

At a special meeting of the
Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Thursday the
twelfth day of February Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

City-laws &
by-laws respect

(Ordered, that the Mayor be requested
in behalf of this board to present to the Legislature, a
remonstrance against any change or modification of any laws, in
relation to the City, or the by-laws thereof, upon the applica-
tion of any individual or party interested.

Taxes

(Ordered, that the Committee on the
Council take several resolutions in the statement and recommending certain laws
be authorized to employ Council and obtain the City
Council's opinion in relation to the legality of the petition
being presented.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the board 51.

of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday the sixteenth day of February, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman
Armstrong;

Order of the Common Council Appropriations.

directing, that the sum of twelve hundred dollars, be added to the appropriation for widening streets, and that the like sum be withdrawn from the appropriations for common sewers, wells and fountains; and that the sum of twenty four hundred dollars, be added to the appropriation for the internal health department, and that the like sum be withdrawn from the appropriation for a reserved fund. Read up for concurrence.

(Read and concurred.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of George Paracott, and others, in behalf of the fire department of the City. Report, that it is expedient for the City government, to recommend to the consideration of the Legislature, their petition, and to express their opinion, that the same is just and reasonable; and that it ought to be granted; with the exception only, that the term of service in the fire department requisite to exempt from service in the militia, be seven years. And that the Representatives of this City be requested to attend to the said petition and to obtain the passing of a law conformable to the same with the

52. The aforesaid modification. All which is submitted, by
M. G. Otis, Chairman, per order.

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came
up, concurred, and that the same committee instructed to
carry the same into effect. Came up for concurrence.
Read & concurred.

Snelling,

The committee to whom was referred
the application of W. G. Snelling, for a draft on the Treasury,
Report that in their opinion the further sum of two hundred
dollars ought to be advanced to him, and that the Treasurer
be requested to draw on the Treasurer accordingly.

Read and accepted.

Grand Jury

Report of the Grand Jury to the Municipal Court, in which they state that the place for
holding the Municipal Court, is inconvenient to the
public, and that the arrangement of the rooms is not adapted
for the accommodation of business. And that a comfortable
room is much needed for the accommodation of witnesses,
summoned to appear before the Grand Jury. Read &
committed to the committee on the Grand Jury and
report.

Clerk W. W. H.

Application of the Clerk of Ward No. 11,
for a grant to be made for the purpose of keeping the
papers belonging to said Ward. Read and committed to
Aldermen Hall and Lewis, with instructions to take into
consideration.

consideration the whole subject of the expediency of building
trunks for the clerks of the other wards. 53.

The Mayor laid before the Rail roads
board, a copy of the resolutions, which passed at the general
meeting held at Faneuil Hall, on the tenth instant, and
the draft of a petition to the Legislature in relation to the
establishment of rail roads, to the Hudson river, and to
Providence. Read and thereupon ordered, that the Mayor be
requested to present to the Legislature said resolutions, & the
petition accompanying the same in behalf of the City, pray-
ing that the same may be granted in conformity
thereto.

Sent down for concurrence
Came up concurred.

Communication of Joseph P. Bradlee
& James A. Dickson, stating that the lease of Engine house
the land on which the Brooks engine house No. 11 stands
will expire on the 1st day of March next,
and that it is their intention to make sale of the land
at the expiration of the lease, and shall give the City
the preference in the event of its wishing to purchase it.
Read and committed to the committee on the fire depart-
ment, to consider and report.

List of members of engine company Engine No. 3.
No. 3, returned & approved by this board; ordered that certificates be
issued accordingly.

54.

Petition of Andrew Dunlap,

praying, that some repairs may be made in the office which he hires of the City in the Old State House. Read and committed to Aldermen Spring, Wendell and Wells to consider and report.

Mass.

Application of Edwin L. Baker for

a stand in Washington street, near the Boylston Market, for the sale of Bells. Read and committed to Aldermen Hall and Lewis, to consider and report.

Miles

Application of Solomon P. Miles, master

English High School

of the English High School for the use of the Hall room, under said School, for the purposes of the "Scholars Club" to hold their meetings in. This Club is composed of the best scholars of the English High School. Read and committed to Aldermen Spring & Wendell to consider and report.

Jenkins' heirs

Union Street.

Ordered, that the Mayor & Aldermen

Wells, be authorized and empowered to settle with the heirs and owners of the Jenkins estate, for the land taken to widen Union street; - provided, they do not go beyond the sum offered to be taken by said owners, in full of all damages.

Blake

Petition of William W. Blake, one of

England.

the members of the B. & M. praying, that certain matters be proposed to the City Solicitor, and requesting his opinion upon the

the subject of the voting lists, and the duty of the assessors 33.
and inspectors, in relation to the same. Read & committed
to the Mayor, who is requested to submit the same to
the City Solicitor, and request his opinion accordingly.

On motion, ordered, that the question of widening Doane street be
postponed to Monday next. William Brown's communication
in relation thereto being first read.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

At a special meeting of the
Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Tuesday, the
seventeenth day of February, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Al-
dermen Oliver and Armstrong.

Order of the Common Council, ap-
pointing Messrs. Ellis, Briggs and Johnson, with such
the board of Aldermen might join, a committee to take
such measures, as they may deem proper, to protect the rights
and interests of the City, in the extension of wharves into
the channel of the harbour. And that said committee be
empowered to appear before the committee of the Legislature,
that

56. That may have the subject in hearing; and also should they deem it necessary, to employ the City Solicitor to maintain the rights of the City in the premises. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen ~~and~~ and Wells are joined.

Common Council.

number dec^r Council, announcing, that a vacancy exists in that board occasioned by the death of Mr. Thomas Reed, a delegate from Ward No. 2, and requesting, that a warrant may be issued to the Inhabitants of that ward to fill the vacancy.

Read and thereupon ordered, that a warrant be issued in that direction on Thursday the twenty sixth day of Feb^r instant, at twelve o'clock P. M. and that all vacancies which may exist in said ward be filled at said meeting. The roll to be held open until three o'clock P. M.

Patrol or

Special Watch. Board. It having been represented to this board, that several incendiary attempts, have lately been made to fire several buildings in the City. — Thereupon

(Resolved, that the Mayor be requested, to authorize and request the wardens to form voluntary associations in their respective wards, for the purpose of a special watch or patrol during the present week, in the night time, who shall have all the powers & authority of the City Watch.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

At a special meeting of 57.

The board of Aldermen of the City of Boston on Friday the
fourteenth day of February. Anno Domini 1820.

Present.

The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen except
Alderman Wells.

Petition of A. V. A. Lawrence, and Lawrence
others, praying that some measures may be adopted to
secure the City against incendiaries.

Read and thereupon Ordered, that
the Mayor be requested to cause to be published in the
newspapers, a statement of facts, in relation to the recent
attempts to fire this City, and to take such measures
in relation to the same, as he may deem expedient.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

(At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the twenty third day of February, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Engineers.

in 1829.

(Memorial of the Engineers of the Fire Department, who were elected on the 10th day of February, instant, requesting, that measures may be taken as soon as is consistent with the convenience of the City authorities to elect others to supply their places and in the mean time, they will act as heretofore, and give all the aid and assistance in their power in subduing the common enemy.

(Read and sent down.

City Sol^r.

Toster's case.

(Communication from the City Solicitor stating, that a trial has been had in the case of Samuel Toster, against the City, to recover the possession of a certain piece of land said to belong to the estate formerly of Nathan Spear, and that the defendant had recovered a portion of the land demanded, and asking the advice of the City Council, whether he should claim an appeal, or what further measures shall be taken in the premises. Read & committed to Aldermen Oliver and Loring, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, & the Common Council joined on its part, Messrs Everett, Townsend & Minns.

On

The committee to whom was 59.

referred, the communication of the auditor of accounts in relation to paving and widening of streets, having attended to the duly signed and respectfully report, that they have consulted with the superintendent of the streets and obtained from him an estimate of the work which he considers necessary to be done, amounting to twenty six thousand and one hundred fifty three dollars, and twenty five cents, for the paving and repairs of streets; but in the opinion of this committee, the sum of twenty five thousand dollars will be sufficient. The appropriation for the last year was twenty thousand dollars; but a further appropriation of five thousand dollars will be wanted for the paving of Commercial street, the ensuing year. In relation to widening of streets, your committee are of opinion, that the sum of twenty thousand dollars will be necessary; this sum is intended to cover the expense of widening the Green Dragon Lane, Poane street, and also to meet a demand already incurred for widening Washington street, near Bedford street, in addition to the ordinary expenses that may occur during the year, under these circumstances your committee propose to the board of Aldermen, to pass the following resolution.

M. F. Loring, for the Com^{ee}

Resolved, that in the opinion of this board, the sum of twenty five thousand dollars, will be necessary to defray the expenses of paving and repairs of streets, including the paving of Commercial street, and that the sum of twenty thousand

00. Thousand dollars, will be necessary to pay the value of
outstanding bonds including the Green Paper bonds, during the
 ensuing financial year. Read and accepted, and the
resolue passed.

Reservoirs.

Resolved, that the sum of ten thousand
and dollars will be necessary for the building of Reservoirs,
for the present financial year.

Lincoln

Petition of William Lincoln, Voters.

Praying,

that a new town may be established near Falmouth
Market. Read and committed to the committee on the pie
department, to consider and report.

Baptist 1st Church

Communication from a committee
of the first Baptist society, stating, that they intend to sell
the land, where their old meeting house now stands, & that
if the City authorities contemplate taking any part of their
land for the purpose of extending North Main street. They
should like to know it, in order that they may be
enabled to lay out their land into house lots. Read and
committed to Aldermen Oliver and Wells, to consider and
report.

Jones.

An order from the Judge of Probate
of the County of Suffolk, directing that inquisition be made
pursuant to law, upon Nancy Jones, of Boston, widow, who has
been represented as a person non compos mentis, and incapable

of taking care of herself, that a guardian must be appointed 61.
to her according to law upon the request of Wendell
Hirsch, Gentleman, and Edw. Whittow, Siverwith, both
said Boston, relatives of said Nancy. Read and Thompson
ordered, that the said Nancy Jones, be notified to appear
before this board, on Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.
and show cause, if any she have, why she should not
be declared non compos mentis, in order that a guardian
be appointed according to law.

Petition of Thomas C. Amory, Amory
Chief Engineer of the fire department, praying that he may Ch. Eng. fire dep't.
have an officer assigned him, for the transaction of his business.
Read and committed to Aldermen Loring, Kendall, and
Wells, to consider and report.

The committee on the petition of Andrew Dunlap, praying, that some repairs may be made in
his office, in the Old State house, reported, that the sum of
fifty dollars, be allowed to the petitioner to repair his office.
Read and accepted.

George Bethune, gives notice, Bethune
that he is about building on the corner of Elm street Elm street Dock
and Dock square, where the late ice took place, and that square.
a portion of the street may be set off, while he is building. Read
and committed to Aldermen Kendall & Russell, to consider and report.

Petition of Elisha Parks, praying

Parks

that the subject of widening Doane street may be further postponed. Read and laid upon the table.

Doane
street

The committee to whom was referred the resolution of the board of Aldermen, passed on the twenty sixth day of January last, in the following words viz:

"Resolved, that the public safety and convenience require, that Doane street, be widened from Kilby street, to Broad street, to the width of thirty feet; provided, that the same can be effected at an expense to the City, which in addition to the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, already appropriated to that street, shall not exceed the sum of two thousand dollars."

Report, that the following persons viz: William Lawrence, Benjamin Adams and Thomas Lamb, have offered and agreed to execute a good and sufficient bond, with condition to indemnify the City, from all damages, costs and expenses incident to the widening said Doane street, in the manner contemplated in said resolution. For the committee, W. G. Otis, Chairman --

Read and accepted, and thereupon, Resolved, that the said bondsmen be accepted and approved, and that the Mayor be authorized and directed to cause the same bonds to be executed, and upon the execution and delivery of the same, the said street shall be widened as contemplated in said resolution.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board 63.

of Aldermen, of the City of Boston, on Monday the second day of March, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present.

The Mayor. Aldermen Oliver, Spring, Hall, Lewis & Wells.

The auditor of accounts communicated an estimate of the amount of money necessary to be raised for the expenditure of the ensuing financial year, under the respective heads of appropriation. Also an estimate of the ways and means, which may be relied upon to meet the contemplated expenditure of the year.

Auditor
ways & means.

Read & sent down.

The committee on the fire department reported, "An ordinance defining the special duties of Chief Engineer of the fire department, and for other purposes" which being read & passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Ch. Eng. pre
Ch. Eng.

Nonconcurred, in Common Council.

The committee on the application of the Chief Engineer of the fire department, to have an office assigned him for the transaction of the business of the department. Report that they have examined an apartment in the Old State House, formerly occupied by the County Treasurer, which they think well adapted for that purpose, and which is entirely satisfactory to the Chief Engineer; they therefore recommend

that

04. That the committee be authorized to make such alterations & repairs as may be deemed necessary. W. F. Loring.
Read and accepted and ordered accordingly.

Miles

The committee on the application of Solomon P. Miles Master of the English High School for the use of the Ward room in said School to be used for the meeting of some of his scholars— Report: the request be granted it being understood that no meetings of his scholars must ever take place in any meeting of the Substitutes of the Ward.
Read and accepted.

Ward No. 11.

Clerk

The committee to whom was referred the application of the Clerk of Ward No. 11. for a trunk for the safe keeping of the papers of said ward report, that some of the wards have been supplied with trunks, & the committee recommend, that the trunk of the petitioner be paid, and a trunk supplied at the expense of the City. The committee do not think it necessary to make any general report upon the subject as the board may grant them as they think fit, whenever applied for. James Hall, Jr. of Com.
Read and accepted.

Jones

It appearing to this board, that notice has been given to Nancy Jones, agreeably to the vote taken at the last meeting of this board, and it appears that said Nancy is a boarder in the McLean asylum, for the insane, & after

the examination of divers credible witnesses. the board do adjudge 65.
that said Nancy is now compos mentis, and incapable of taking
care of herself. they accordingly certified the same to the
Judge of Probate, for the County of Suffolk, in order that
a Guardian may be appointed according to law.

Petition of Mace Tisdale, pray Tisdale
ing, that the street or avenue leading from State street to Chatham avenue,
Chatham street may be named and called Chatham avenue.
Read and committed to Aldermen Tisdale and Rogers to
consider and report.

The committee on the notice of Cummings
Bradley Cummings. of his intention of building on the corner of Sumner street
Sumner street and Methodist alley, report, that land be taken Methodist ally.
to widen the highways, agreeable to A. P. Sullivan, there as
follows thirty and one fourth feet on Sumner street. Twenty
feet on Methodist alley, and the committee reports that
the owner is willing to convey the same to the City at the
rate of seventy five cents per square foot, which amounts to
seventy six dollars eight, seven cents, which the committee
recommend shall be paid said Cummings, after May next
on his giving a proper legal release of the same.

M. J. Oliver, for the com^{ee}.
(Read and accepted, and thereupon resolved, that)
the public safety and convenience requires that Sumner
street and Methodist ally, be respectively widened to the

00 a five foot wide and six inches in length, and about one foot and four inches in breadth from the front of front. Enclosed in an iron shed; Also a piece of land, forty four feet, and six inches in length, on Methodist alley, and one foot, five inches in width at the westerly end, on Hanover street; and one foot six inches in width at the easterly end, of said piece of land from the land of Mrs. Cummings according to a plan of the premises, taken by Stephen T. Feltner, dated March 2. 1829.

And the said street and alley are hereby widened as aforesaid. And it is then appearing to this board, that said owner is content to receive in payment for said land, the sum of twenty five dollars, and for the same, it is further ordered, that the amount thereof be paid him, as a full release of his title, to the City, out of the fund appropriated for the widening of streets.

Auctioneer

Elisha Haskell, licensed as an auctioneer, office No 69 Kilby street.

Adjourned to Thursday next, four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the board 67.
of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Thursday the fifth day
of March, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present—

The Mayor. Aldermen Oliver, Loring, Kendall, Knefel, Lewis
and Wells.—

The auditor of accounts annual Auditor
estimate of the amount of money necessary to be raised for the appropriation
expenditure of the ensuing financial year— and the estimate. Ways & Means
of the ways and means, which may be relied upon to
meet the contemplated expenditure of the year. Read and
committed in Common Council to the committee of finance
with such as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider
and report. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred,
and the Mayor, Aldermen Loring, Kendall, Armstrong,
Lewis and Wells are joined.

Order of the Common Council City Marshal
appointing Messrs Wetmore, Abbot and Brigham, with such
as the board of Aldermen might join, a committee to en-
quire into the expediency of repealing or amending an or-
dinance authorizing the election and prescribing the duties
of City Marshal. Came up for concurrence. Read and
concurred, and the Mayor and Alderman Kendall are joined.

Ordered, that Aldermen Loring and Wells & clocks.
Kendall, be a committee on bells & clocks to contract for repairing, & settling
fixing the same.

Gray Petition of Samuel Gray, praying for an abatement of his taxes for the year 1827, or that such relief may be afforded him therein as may be deemed just and equitable. Read and committed to the Mayor and Aldermen Russell, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part, Messrs Waters, Parker (W. S.) & Turner.

Hunneman

Petition of William L. Hunneman,

Engines.

praying leave to construct one or more engines as may be wanted by the City, and that he will do the work for one hundred dollars less than the customary price. Read and committed to the committee on the fire department to consider and report.

Grigg.

Land in Maine.

The Mayor communicated a letter from Simon W. Grigg, making inquiries in relation to the purchase of a township of land in the State of Maine, lying to the City. Read and committed to the Mayor, for the purpose of writing to said Grigg and Thomas A. Hill, Esq. of Bangor the Agent employed by the City Council to make sale of said land.

Firemen

Ward N. 6.

Josiah B. Phinney, James M. Gooding, and Lloyd G. Samson, nominated & appointed firemen for Ward N. 6.

Petition of Cyrus Babbet & 69.

Ezra Worcester, in behalf of the Watchmen of the City, pray Watchmen.
ing, that the compensation for their services may be in-
creased. Read and committed to Aldermen Torrey and
Russell, to consider and report.

Resolved, that the public Doane
safety and convenience require, that Doane street be widened street.
ed, and the same is hereby widened, and laid out in
manner following viz: Beginning at the northwesterly
corner of Benjamin Adams' Block of stores, running northerly
five feet, ten inches; then westerly by the present line of
said street, fifty feet, four inches to Kilby street; then southerly
on said Kilby street, six feet, to a point on the easterly
side of Kilby street, at the distance of thirty feet, from the
store of Thomas H. Jones, measuring at right angles across
said Doane street; then running easterly in a straight
line to the northwesterly corner of said Adams' Block of
stores; then continuing easterly by the front of said stores, &
stores of William T. Brown, and through lands of William Brown,
to a point on Broad street, thirty feet distant from the
southeasterly corner of store belonging to the heirs of John
Grew, then running northerly by Broad street, about eleven
feet, four inches; then westerly by the present line of said
Doane street, forty one feet, three inches to a highway way;
then southerly by said highway way, seven feet, eight inches,
taking all the land lying northerly of the southerly line
above

70. above described to the present line of said Doane street, to
include the same. The land taken for that purpose from Elisha
Parks measures two hundred, ninety six and a half square feet,
and from William Brown, measures four hundred and twelve
square feet according to a plan of said Doane street taken
by A. P. Fuller, dated August 19. 1825.

And it is further resolved and ordered,
that notice be given to Elisha Parks William Brown, and
others, Proprietors of the buildings on the south side of said
Doane street, that so much of these buildings as is necessary
for the purpose of effecting the proposed road, and which
stand within the line of said Doane street, thus laid out,
will be taken down and removed, on the first day of June,
next, unless the same be previously removed by the Proprietors
Hereof.

(Audience)

Samuel G. Drake, licensed as an Au-
dience, place of business N^o 46 Washington street.

(Mr. Sol.

Genl

Petition of the Attorney General
praying, that seats may be assigned them in the Court House,
with desks &c. Read and committed to Almonson Young,
Kendall Wells, to consider and report.

(In a meeting
after.

Ordered, that in future the regular meet-
ings of the board be on Wednesdays instead of Mondays.

Adjourned to Wednesday next, four o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Wednesday the eleventh
day of March, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen except Alderman Armstrong.

The following gentlemen were Engineers
nominated and appointed engineers of the fire department for the
current year, viz:

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| Charles Brintnall, | Ward No 1. |
| William Barnicoat | " " 2. |
| Benjamin Smith (Smithholder) | " " 3. |
| Jacob L. Flint | " " 4. |
| Joseph D. Annable | " " 5. |
| Thomas Haviland | " " 6. |
| John A. Tyler | " " 7. |
| James Weld | " " 8. |
| Ebenezer O. Hawes | " " 9. |
| Benjamin Yeaton | " " 10. |
| Benjamin M. Nevers | " " 11. |
| James Barry, Junior | " " 12. |

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The committee of the City Council, Watchmen
to whom was referred the petition of the Watchmen and
fifteen hundred and eighty other inhabitants of the City
praying

72. praying, that an additional allowance may be made for the services of said Watchmen. Report, that the public safety may be promoted by increasing the pay of a part of the Watchmen only; They therefore recommend that the sum of ten cents be added to the pay of those who now receive fifty cents, for each and every night they may be on duty. John S. Soring for it read.
Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. (Came up concurred, with an amendment, at A, insert the words "from & after the 25th day of April next." Read and concurred.

Foster
Washington St. The committee to whom was referred the petition of Sarah Foster, praying, to be remunerated for land taken by the City, from her estate situated on the corner of Washington and Bedford streets, and for other damages sustained by her as set forth in her petition. — Report, that in their opinion, that there be allowed & paid to said petitioner by the City of Boston eight hundred dollars in full compensation for the land so taken from the estate of said Foster, and also in full of all other damages which the said Foster has or may have sustained, by reason of the alteration made by the City, in and upon said estate.
Thos Kendall, for order.
(Read and accepted).

Allen
Street. Ordered, that Aldermen Soring and Armstrong be a committee to consider and report upon the expediency of calling North Allen Street — Allen Street.

Notice of William Wright and 73.

A. A. Dames, that they contemplant building on their newly made land west of Sea street near the new bridge to South Sea street, Bristol, and that should it be the wish of the board of Aldermen to have openings left, with reference to cross streets leading on to Front street, at some future day; they pray that a committee may be appointed to confer with them on the subject. Read and thereupon ordered, that Aldermen Hall and Lewis, be a committee for that purpose.

Notice of John Dove, that he is about building on Milk street, adjoining land belonging to Milkstreet, the Old South Church, and that he is willing to make sale of any part of his land, that the City may choose to take, to widen said street, at a reasonable price, or he will take the same price that he shall sell his back land for. -- Read and committed to the whole board, for the purpose of viewing the premises.

On motion, the board proceeded to re-consider their vote, in relation to the widening of Drane street, passed on the fifth day of March, instant, so far as respects the time therein fixed, for removing the buildings therein intended and ordered, to be removed; and thereupon ordered, that the proprietors of said buildings be notified, that the buildings, which in and by said first mentioned vote were voted and intended to be removed on or before the first day of June, next

It. next will be removed on the twenty fifth day of May, next, unless the same be previously removed by the proprietors thereof.

House of C^{or}

Communication of the board of accounts in relation to convicts in the House of Correction, giving their number, their food, and the work in which they are employed. Read and committed to the committee on the Court and House of Correction, to consider and report.

Washington
place.

Ordered, that Aldermen Kendall and Russell be a committee to direct a survey to be made of the City lands on Washington place; and report, on the right of the City to the land on which the Gun house has been erected, and also the land in the vicinity of said house.

Simpson

Sanborn

Petition of John H. Simpson and others to have Hanover Street widened in a line with the new Baptist Church, by cutting off a small lot adjoining the same belonging to John Gray. Read & committed to the Mayor & Aldermen Oliver and Wells to consider & report. That Mr Gray be notified to stop repairing the same until a decision of the board shall be had.

Adjourned to Wednesday, next, four o'clock P. M.

75.

At a meeting of the board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Wednesday, the eight
teenth day of March, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen except
Aldermen Kendall and Armstrong.

The committee on the petition Tisdale
of Mac Tisdale, to have the avenue leading from State to Chatham Row.
Chatham streets, named Chatham Row, report that the
prayer of said petition be granted. Read and accepted.
Thereupon ordered, that the said avenue be hereafter known
and called by the name of Chatham Row.

Petition of Peter Wainwright, Wainwright.
Praying that a wooden building on Pond Street, formerly
a carpenters shop, and which has recently been converted
into a stable, may be permitted to be occupied as a
stable. Read and committed to the committee on the
fire department, to consider and report.

Communication from Thomas Gould, in Gould
behalf of the "Baldwin place association" offer to sell to the City. Eugene A. S.
a piece of land on Salem Street, on which engine house N^o. 3,
now stands, on certain conditions, therein mentioned.

Read and committed to the committee on the fire
department, to consider and report.

76.

Goodhue
Engine

Petition of Samuel Goodhue,

and others, praying, that a new engine may be provided for the use of the Inhabitants situated on the western avenue to be placed on or near the Mill-dam. Read and committed to the committee on the fire department, to consider and report.

Goodhue
School

Petition of Samuel Goodhue, and

others, praying, that a school may be established on the Western Avenue. Read and committed in Common Council to Messrs Goodhue, Tufts and Porvins, with such as the Board of Aldermen might join, to consider and report. Came up for concurrence: Read and concurred, and Aldermen Oliver and Lewis are joined.

Railways

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs Tobot, Minns, and Willard, with such as the Board of Aldermen might join, a committee on the subject of the distribution of the reports on railways, to report in what manner they shall be distributed. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Oliver and Lewis are joined.

Newman

Petition of Henry Newman, praying to

exchange with the City certain lots of Neck lands. Read and committed to the committee on the Neck lands to consider and report.

Came up for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Petition of George Mills, praying, 77.

to exchange with the City certain lots of land in Union Hill's
street. Read and committed to a Committee to examine the same, and
to consider and report.

The committee on the application Snelling,
of N. G. Snelling, report the following order. Ordered, that
the Mayor be authorized to receive from the Register of
deeds office the volumes of records and to deliver the same
to Nathaniel S. Snelling, for the purpose of completing the
abstracts and indices agreeable to the original vote respecting
the premises as the same may be wanted. Read and
accepted, and ordered accordingly.

Application of Thomas Leighton and Washington
John S. Rice, for permission to open the Washington Theatre,
for one night, for the purpose of giving an amateur perform-
ance for the benefit of Sam Stewart, the inventor of the
new musical instrument called the Sphero. Read and the
prayer thereof granted.

The committee to whom was referred Juvenile,
the petition of the Directors of the House of reformation
for Juvenile offenders, at South Boston, with the report of a
committee of the City Council, with instructions to examine
into the government and discipline of said house, and to report
thereon. Report, that they met a committee of the Directors of
that

78. That house, and submitted to them certain interrogatories
juvenile offenders which together with their answers and certain other papers
are herewith submitted, and all which your committee ask
leave to make a part of their report; they likewise ex-
amined the condition of the house, the exercises mental
and corporeal of the inmates, their food and lodgings, &
found them perfectly satisfactory. A copy of the rules and
regulations for the government of said house are herewith
submitted, and in the opinion of your committee need
revision in the form of a legislative act. The committee are
of opinion, that it would be difficult to find a superin-
tendent, in point of zeal, devotedness to his duties, discretion
and ability, better qualified for the discharge of the duties
of his place, than the present incumbent. They are of the
opinion, that the present board of Directors are deserving of
high praise, for the zeal, fidelity and industry with which
they have discharged what they believed to be their duties under
the existing act, in relation to that house. But your com-
mittee are of the opinion that the present act in relation to
that house is materially defective in many of its provisions
and that the same should be taken into an entire new
draft, and therefore recommend a non concurrence in the
report of the joint committee, and the adoption of the
following resolution. The which is respectfully submitted

W. C. Betton, Chairman

Resolved, that it is expedient, that a new act
be passed by the Legislature of the Commonwealth in relation
to

to Juvenile offenders, specially providing for what offences & '19.
within what ages, and for what time or times juvenile of-
fenders may be sentenced to the house of reformation at
South Boston, apportioning the punishment to the nature of the
offence; securing the right of trial by jury; and prescribing
a system of government and discipline for the inmates of
said house. Also prescribing in certain cases, how persons
sentenced to that house may be disposed of, after their time
of punishment shall have expired.

Resolved, that Messrs. Everett, Milner and Williams,
with such as the board of Aldermen may join, be a com-
mittee, with full powers to procure the City Solicitor, and
such other eminent counsel as they may think proper to
draft an act conformable to the above principles, to be
submitted to the City Council, in order that they may up-
ply to the Legislature to have the same passed into a
law. Report read and accepted, and the resolves pas-
sed in Common Council, by a unanimous vote. Came up
for concurrence. Read and concurred, and the Mayor and
Alderman Wells are joined.

Ordered, that warrants be issued Wth Ward meetings
for the meeting of the Citizens in their respective wards, on Gov. Lth En. &c.
the first Monday of April next, at eleven o'clock, A. M.
for the election of Governor and Lieutenant Governor; also six
Senators, for the district of Suffolk. The polls to be kept
open until three o'clock, A. M. —

Ordered, that notice be given
 in the newspapers, that the lists of voters in the several
 wards are made out and posted up in the Mayor and
 Aldermen's room, and the apopors office: The Mayor &
 Aldermen will attend at their room, every day until
 Saturday the fourth day of April next, inclusive, for the
 purpose of receiving the evidence of the qualifications of
 legal voters, whose names have not been entered on said lists.

Also ordered, that each ward be furnished with two
 lists of voters, and requested to have the same posted up in
 two several public places in each ward, for the information
 of the voters, who are hereby specially invited to see their
 names inserted and reminded, that this cannot be done after
 the third day, for the purpose of the election which is to
 take place on the sixth day of said April.

Deliberations of Dr. William Ingham
 and others; and of Joseph T. Adams, Esq. and others, for
 the use of Faneuil Hall on Sunday evening the 3rd day
 of April next, for the purpose of holding meetings of the
 Citizens' Read and thereupon ordered, that Faneuil Hall
 Market Hall be appropriated to the use of the several
 petitioners, and that they draw lots for the choice unless
 they can otherwise agree upon the same.

Ordered, that in future no application
 will be received by the Mayor and Aldermen, for the use

of Saneit. Land and Market Sale, in public meetings, 81.
unless the same be signed by at least one hundred legal
voters.

The committee to whom was referred the application of William Gleason and John
Evison, to take from the city, belonging to the City,
mud, for the purpose of filling up the City wharf,
Reported, that it is inexpedient to grant the same.
Read and accepted.

The committee to whom was referred the communication of the Auditor of accounts, in
bracing estimates of appropriations and of revenue, for
the ensuing financial year, made a report, which
was read and sent down.

John T. Spear licensed as an Auctioneer.
Auctioneer, place of business 95 1/2 W. Water street.

Adjourned to Wednesday next, four o'clock P.M.

A meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Wednesday, the twenty fifth day of March, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Armstrong.

Gould

On the application of Thomas Gould in behalf of the "Baldwin place association" Ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen Oliver and Wells, be a committee to purchase of said association, a piece of land, on Salem street, sufficient for building an Engine house, No. 3, for a sum of money not exceeding the amount for which said association offered to make sale of the same.

Engineers
fire dept.

Ordered, that the thanks of this board be given to the late Engineers of the fire department, for the fidelity and alacrity, uniformly manifested by them in the discharge of their arduous duties; with an assurance of the service entertained by this board at the value of their services and example in promoting the efficient organization of the fire department.

Patten

Petition of Thomas Patten, in behalf of the Boston Locomotive Factory, praying, that the amount of the taxes, for the last year be remitted, and that his rent be reduced of his shop, situated on the City wharf on the north

side of the Mill Creek. Read and committed to Aldermen 83.
Oliver and Wells, to consider and report.

Petition of Flavel Case, Captain Watch house,
of the Watch, praying, that a new watch house may be
built on Eliot Street. Read and committed to Aldermen
Hall and Lewis, to consider and report.

Ordered, that the rank of the Engineers
Engineers of the fire department, be as follows viz: 1. Benj. Smith.
2. William Barnicot 3. James Weld 4. Benjamin Heaton. 5.
Thomas Haviland. 6. John S. Tyler. 7. Benjamin M. Jowers,
8. Joseph D. Innable 9. Ebenezer C. Hawes 10. James Barry Jr.,
11. Charles Brimhall and 12. Jacob L. Flint rank

Ordered, that one copy of the Ordinances
city ordinances be delivered to each Engineer of the fire de-
partment, for the use of said department, to be returned to,
the Chief Engineer's office, on their ceasing to be members.

The committee on the petition Boston
of the proprietors of the Boston Theatre, praying to have the Theatre
amount of their license reduced, report, that the petitioners
have leave to withdraw their petition. Read & accepted.

Charles T. Hall, licensed as an Auctioneer
Auctioneer 88 Water Street.

84.

Greene
Tremont St.

Petition of Gardiner Greene, and

others, praying, that the original name of Tremont may be restored to the street now called Common Street. Read and committed to the Mayor and Alderman Russell, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined in its part. Wm. Loring, Waters and Rayner.

Homer
Charter St.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of George J. Homer, for compensation in land taken to widen Charter Street near Snow Hill Street, ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the same, and that said petition with the accompanying documents be referred to the City Solicitor with instructions to examine the same, and to report to this board his opinion on the validity of said Homer's claim. Read and accepted and ordered accordingly.

Samuel Hall.

Ordered, that whenever two or more parties apply for the use of Samuel Hall, for the purpose of holding a public meeting on the same evening, that the choice shall be determined by lot.

Aspor

Ordered, that applications for the office of Aspor, will be received by the City Council, until the sixth day of April, next. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

The joint committee of the 85.
City Council, to whom, was referred the subject of the dis- Railway
tribution of the state copies of the report of the Directors of report.
Internal improvements made to the Legislature of this Com-
monwealth at its late session, and which have been recently
received from His Excellency the Governor, ask leave to report,
That twelve copies of said report be placed in the possession
of the Board of Aldermen, and the remaining forty eight
copies be subject to the order of the Common Council.
All which is respectfully submitted, in behalf of the
Committee. M. J. Oliver.

Read and accepted, in Common Council. Came up
for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Petition of David C. Moseley, Moseley
praying, that Mason street may be widened, by taking down Mason St
part of an old building belonging to Isaac Samuel. Read &
Whereupon ordered, that the whole board will attend in Mason
street, tomorrow morning, half past nine o'clock, and that S.
Samuel be notified to stop further building until that time.

Resolved, that the public safety & Elm
convenience require, that Elm street be widened, and the same street.
is hereby laid out, and widened in manner following, viz:
Beginning at the northeasterly corner of the store, belong-
ing to William H. Sumner; then running southerly by said
store three feet, four inches and three quarters; then running
easterly.

86. easterly, by a line running in the direction of the north easterly corner of land belonging to George Bethune, & measuring on said line, sixty five feet, five inches; then by a circular line drawn by a radius of five feet to a point on the easterly line of land of the said Bethune four feet, six inches distant southerly from said northeasterly corner of said Bethune's land on Dock Square; then northerly by said Dock Square four feet six inches; then westerly by the present line of Elm street sixty nine feet eleven inches, to the place of beginning, taking two hundred and thirty four square feet of said Bethune's land as marked on a plan taken by A. P. Tuller, dated January 24. 1829.

Hanover &
Silston
streets.

Resolved, that the public safety and convenience require, that Hanover street and Silston street be widened and the same are hereby laid out and widened in manner following viz: Beginning at the southerly corner of John Ripley's land, then running northwesterly on Silston street one foot, six inches, then northeasterly twenty eight feet to land of Daniel C. Matcom, then southeasterly ten inches, then southwesterly by the present line of said Hanover street twenty eight feet to the place of beginning, making said Hanover street thirty three feet wide at the corner of said Silston street, and thirty three feet and three inches at the northeasterly side of said Ripley's land, taking thirty four and one half square feet of his land, to widen Hanover street. And to widen Silston street beginning at Hanover street

street sixteen feet, northeasterly from the house standing at the 87.
corner of Silston and Manover streets, at the southerly side
of said Silston street, and from thence running northwesterly
in a straight line to the gate post on land of Thomas Muir,
then southeasterly by the present line of said street to the
place of beginning, taking from said Ripleys land to widen
Silston street, forty four square feet as marked on a plan
taken by S. P. Fuller, dated June 21. 1828.

Ordered, that Aldermen Oliver &
Wells be a committee to settle with said Ripleys for the
land so taken to widen said streets.

(Ordered, that the committee of Green Dragon
the district be authorized to offer the proprietors of the Green Union St.
Dragon estate, one dollar and a quarter a square foot, for land
taken to widen Union street, with interest on the amount
from the time of taking the land, and also the sum for which
the old building was sold.

The committee of the City Council Francis
to whom was referred, the petitions of Ebenezer Francis and
John Pickens, for the reimbursement of taxes paid by them, Pickens
ask leave respectfully to Report, That at the time of the
assessment of the tax for 1825, Ebenezer Francis and John
Pickens were not inhabitants of the City of Boston, Having
consulted with the City Solicitor and other Council, we of
opinion, that the several taxes of said Francis & Pickens for
that

88. That year ought to be refunded, and accordingly submit
the following orders. (John S. Spring, for the Committee
(Ordered, that the sum of nine hundred
and twenty dollars, and thirty eight cents, be paid to John
Francis, being the amount of the tax assessed on his personal
property and paid by him into the City Treasury, in
the year 1827, with interest from the time of payment,
and that the same be charged to the appropriation for
incidental expenses and miscellaneous claims.

Ordered, that the sum of seventy four
dollars, and forty nine cents, be paid to John Pickens be-
ing the amount of the tax assessed on his personal pro-
perty and paid by him into the City Treasury, in the
year 1827, with interest from the time of payment, and that
the same be charged to the appropriation for incidental ex-
penses and miscellaneous claims. Read and accepted, &
the orders passed. Sent down for concurrence.
Scame up concurred.

Davis
Hanover St Notice of Isaac Davis of his intention
building on Hanover street. Read and committed to Aldermen
Kendall & Russell, to consider & report.

Quarantine
boat (Ordered, that the committee on the
quarantine department be authorized to cause the quarantine
boat to be furnished with a new suit of sails.

Adjourned to meet in Mason street, tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Thursday March 26th 1829. 89.

Met according to adjournment.

Present - Aldermen Oliver, Kendall, Hall, Russell, Lewis & Wells.

Alderman Hall was chosen President in the absence of the Mayor.

Isaac Samuel met the board in Mason street, Mason agreeably to notice, and after viewing the premises it is thereupon resolved, that the public safety and convenience require, that Mason street be widened, and the same is laid out and widened in manner following viz:

Beginning at the southwesterly corner of the house of David, E. Mosley, then running southerly on a straight line about thirty four feet, four inches to a point on the southerly side of land belonging to said Samuel ten inches distant from the present line of said street, then westerly by said southerly line of said Samuel's land ten inches, then northerly by the present line of said street, thirty four feet, four inches, then easterly three feet one and a half inches to the place of beginning; taking sixty six and a half square feet of land from the estate of said Samuel, according to a plan of the same taken by S. P. Fuller, dated

March 30th Wth Daniel Ballard, member of the Com. Cons. Council from Ward N^o 2, came in attended by Wth member quarter Ellis, and the several oaths required by law, were administered to him by the Mayor.

(Attest, H. McLeary, City Clerk)

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen, of the City of Boston, on Wednesday, the first day of April, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Fenstrong.

H. of Industry
Dir.

Memorial of the Directors of the House of Industry, praying an additional appropriation for the purpose of building a sea wall, and also a building for linatics. Read and committed in Common Council to Messrs. Bigelow, Parker (W^d 5) and Torrey, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider and report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and the Mayor and Alderman Hall were joined.

H. Eng. Eng.
N^o 4 & 17

Memorial of the Chief Engineer of the fire department, recommending that the Endeavor engine N^o 4, be placed at the House of Industry, and that a suction hose engine be placed at or near the place now occupied by Engine N^o 17, at South Boston, and that Engine N^o 17 be removed to the Engine house on Charlestown. Read and committed to the committee on the fire department, to consider and report.

Firemen

Memorial of the foremen of the several companies of firemen, praying, that they may be supplied with caps, chains, lanterns &c. and that they may be allowed

allowed one dollar for each member of said companies, for 91.
the purpose of defraying their necessary expenses, being the
same as is allowed to the engine men. Read and committed
to the committee on the fire department, to consider and
report.

Memorial of the Register of Reg. of docs.
deeds in relation to the state of the indexes to his records,
and stating that it requires additional covers for the
records, and more room for the accommodation of the pub-
lic, himself and clerks. Read and committed to the
Mayor, to consider and report.

Petition of Solomon Wildes, and Wildes
others, to have Elm street widened. Read and committed Elm St.
in Common Council to Messrs. Wagner, Ferrin & Gibbons, with
such as the board of Aldermen might join to consider &
report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred,
Aldermen Kendall and Russell are joined.

Petition of George Mills, praying Mills
to exchange with the City a small triangular piece of Union St.
land on Union street. Read and committed to Alder-
men Oliver and Wells, with such as the Common Coun-
cil may join, to consider and report. Sent down for
concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common
Council joined on its part. Messrs. Belton, Frost and
Bradley.

92.

Petition of Joseph H. Dorr

Dorr & Topliff Samuel Topliff, praying to have the refusal of the lower
Old State House floor of the Old State House for the purpose of establishing
there the Post Office, and the Reading room and News
room. Read and committed to the committee on public
buildings to consider and report. Sent down for con-
currence.

Came up concurred.

Watch

Petition of the Constables of the

Constables of Watch, for additional compensation for their services. Read
and committed to Aldermen Loring and Rippey, with
such as the Common Council may join, to consider &
report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred,
and the Common Council joined on its part Messrs
Everett, Minns and Turner.

Gay

Order of the Common Council

on the petition of Seth Gay, praying to have refunded
to him, nearly four dollars and ninety nine cents, as fine
and costs paid under a sentence of the Municipal
Court, on the ground that the proceedings of that
case were subsequently quashed by a decree of the
Superior Judicial Court; that the petitioner have
leave to withdraw his petition. Came up for concurrence

Read & concurred

Auctioneer

William Andrews, licensed as an

Auctioneer, South Boston.

Ordered, that Aldermen Hall 93.

and Lewis, with such as the Common Council may join, be a committee to consider the expediency of amending the 2^d section of an ordinance for regulating the weighing of Hay, and for designating the stands for the sale of that article, with liberty to report by ordinance or otherwise. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part. Messrs. Gould, Waters, and Ballard.

Ordered, that the compensation for Ch. Eng. ^{pro def} the services of the Chief Engineer of the fire department, for Salary, the present year, to be computed from the sixteenth day of February, last, shall be one thousand dollars to be paid in quarterly payments. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Ordered, that from and after the passing of this order the street ~~known~~ heretofore called, known street, by the name of North Allen street, be called and known by the name of Allen street only.

Ordered, that the committee on the Engineer subject of purchasing a piece of land, for the use of Engine N^o 3. N^o 3, be authorized to purchase an additional piece of land near Salem street, two feet or fourteen, if they shall see fit.

In order making certain additional appropriations Appropriations priations. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred.

94.

Beal
Hanover St.

Petition of Samuel Beal, and

others, praying, that Hanover street may be widened near the head of Portland street. Read and committed to Aldermen Kendall and Russell, to consider and report.

Decker
Fort hill

Petition of Israel Decker, praying

leave to occupy a piece of land between the Gun house & the Boylston School house on Fort hill. Read and committed to Aldermen Kendall & Russell, to consider & report.

Firemen
Mar 11th

Edward N. Adams, Frederick D. Allen,

John H. Stone, William Calder, Peter Trott, William Clarke, Samuel Smith, Jr., Oliver Bliss, William S. Slobson, George L. Montague, Henry Williams, George A. Payson, and Richard C. Greenleaf were nominated and appointed firemen for Mar 11th and that certificates be issued to them accordingly.

Turner

Requisition of the Judge of Probate of

the County of Suffolk, that inquiry be made upon Nathaniel T. Turner, Junior, of Boston, scrivener, who has been represented by William Turner, Junior, as a person non compos mentis, & incapable of taking care of himself. That the same may be certified to said Judge in order that a Guardian be appointed according to law. Read & thereupon ordered, that the said Nathaniel be notified to appear before this board on Tuesday next, four o'clock P. M. & show cause if any he has, why he should not be declared non compos mentis as aforesaid.

Petition of William Parker, 95.

and others, praying, that Washington avenue may be widened and repaired. Read and committed to Aldermen Washington, Adams, Kendall, Russell and Lewis, to consider and report.

Petition of the Mercantile Marine Wharf Corp.

Wharf Corporation, praying, that the level of Second street, so called, may be determined upon which Stephen S. Fuller, Surveyor, reports, that whenever the edge stones are set on the new street, fifty feet wide, called Second street which is west of Commercial street, they ought to be placed as follows viz: At the intersection of the street north of the stores on North Market street, one foot below the floor of said stores, and from thence to ascend on an inclined plane to the intersection of Cross street, and there to be placed on the easterly side of the street, level with the floor of the store at the corner of Commercial street, and Cross street, on the north side of Cross street, now occupied by John Sullivan, and others, and on the side of the street two inches above said floor of the store occupied by said Sullivan, from thence to continue to ascend on an inclined plane to the division line between the land of Thomas Thompson, Esq. and formerly of John L. Johnson, and others, and there to be placed one foot four inches above said floor of said store occupied by said Sullivan, from thence to descend to the northerly line of land of Robert G. Shaw and there to be placed three inches above the floor of said store occupied by said Sullivan.

Ordered.

(96) Ordered, that the Mermaid Wharf Corporation are extended to fill up above street according to the foregoing survey of E. P. Fuller, with good earth to the satisfaction of the Mayor and Aldermen, acting as Surveyors of Highways, to within one foot of the height fixed for the edge stones. Of which there shall be eight inches in thickness, and thirty four feet in width throughout shall be of gravel suitable for the purpose, of a quantity equal to the gravel on the surface of Commercial street. Such space of thirty four feet intended to be gravelled is to be in the centre of the street leaving the spaces on each side for the side walks whether gravelled or not of the same height with the centre.

Mills

Petition of Charles Wells, in behalf of the Conservative Fire Society, praying, that they may be admitted to keep the lines in case of fire, and enjoy the same privileges as similar societies enjoy for the protection of their property. Read and committed to the committee on the fire department, to consider and report.

Dam

Princ St

Leader Dam gives notice that he is about altering the building on the northerly side of Prince street, between Margaret and Aulom streets. He prays permission to place two steps into the street. Read & committed to Aldermen Oliver & Wells, to consider & report.

(Adjourned to Wednesday next, four o'clock P.M.)

At a meeting of the board of
of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Wednesday the eighth
day of April, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Armstrong.

The board proceeded to examine Votes
the returns of votes, from the several wards, given in on the Gov. & Gov.
sixth day of April, instant, for Governor and Lieutenant Gov. & Senators.
ernor; also for six Senators and Councillors, for the district
of Suffolk; and found the whole number given in as afore-
said, in the several wards, were sorted, counted, recorded,
& declaration thereof made, as by the Constitution and law are
directed. The votes are particularly described and recorded,
in the record book kept for that purpose; and the several
returns were made out and signed by the Mayor, and a
majority of the Aldermen, and attested by the City Clerk,
sealed up and directed to the Secretary of the Commonwealth,
according to law.

Petition of Jacob Hall, and others, to Hall,
have Salem street widened. Read and committed to Aldermen Salem St.
Oliver and Wells, to consider and report.

Alfred Dorr and James M. Allen Auctioneers.
licensed as Auctioneers, their place of business corner of
Milk and Congress streets.

98.

Petition of Reuben Yose, for leave
Yos. to lay a suction from a well in Lafayette Court to his
Lafayette joint houses on Bond street. Read and committed to Aldermen
Woods, Oliver and Wells, to consider and report.

Petition of Ralph Haskins in be-
Haskins half of the proprietors of Lafayette hotel, opposite Bowdoin
Washington Market house, on Washington street, praying compensation for
land taken in the year 1824, to widen Washington street.
Read and committed to Aldermen Hall and Lewis to
consider and report.

Petition of John S. Perkins, and others,
Perkins Police Court praying, that the Police Court may be removed from its pre-
sent place of meeting to some place near the Jail on Second
street. Read and committed to the committee on the
Jail &c. to consider and report.

Agreeably to assignment the board pro-
Apepos cedded by ballot to choose on its part, three apepos for the
chosen year ensuing, and the votes being taken, it appeared that Henry
Wass, Samuel Norwood and Thomas Jackson were chosen in
concurrence with the Common Council.

Ordered, that Aldermen Lewis & Wells
Lumber & with such as the Common Council may join, be a committee
to consider and report whether any and what alterations are
required

required in the laws regulating the admeasurement of wood, 99.
brought into the City by water and landed for sale; also in
the laws regulating the survey of lumber. Sent down for
concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council
joined on its part Messrs Willard, - Amos Sturbridge.

Petition of Larra Crane, & others, Crane?
praying, that the new street forty feet wide, leading from Clinton street,
Merchants Row to Commercial street, parallel with North Market
street and next north of the same, may be named and called
Clinton street. Read and thereupon resolved, that the
street forty feet wide running from Merchants Row, parallel
with North Market street, to Commercial street, be hereafter
known and called by the name of Clinton street.

The committee on the petition of Decker
Israel Decker, praying, that he may have the use of the passage, Washington place,
near the Boylston School house, leading to Washington place,
report, that the prayer of the petitioner be granted, on condition,
that he covenants to pay into the City Treasury, the sum
of ten dollars, per annum, for the use and improvement of the
passage way, and that the easement now granted, shall be
revoked at the pleasure of the Mayor, or board of Aldermen
on giving three months notice, and that a lease be executed
of the premises by the Mayor.

Firemen for Ward No 8 (as Firemen
on it) Read and approved; ordered, that certificates be issued, Ward No 8:
accordingly.

City lands
Washington
place.

The committee to whom was referred the order of the board of Aldermen of the 11th ultimo, to direct a survey to be made of the City lands on Washington place, and to report on the right of the City to the land on which the Gun house has been erected, and the land in the vicinity of said house, respectfully report,

That said lands have been surveyed by Mr. Fuller, the City Surveyor, and a plan thereof is herewith presented.

That in regard to the right of the City to the land on which the Gun house has been erected, the committee find, that at a meeting of the town of Boston, held Aug. 1. 1810, a petition of a number of the members of the Third artillery company, praying that they may be permitted to erect a Gun house on the summit of Fort Hill, for the use of said company, was read, and referred to a special committee, to report at the adjournment. That at the adjournment of the meeting, held Aug. 9. 1810, the committee reported, that the prayer of said petition ought not to be granted; which report was accepted. That it was then voted, that the Selectmen be authorized to locate a lot of land on the east side of Fort Hill, below the Circus, for the use of the Third artillery company, till the further order of the town. That at a meeting of the Selectmen held on the fifteenth of said August, the Chairman and Mr. Sturrowell were appointed a committee to stake out the ground for the new Gun house on the east side of Fort Hill. And that they do not find any record of the

the report of the above committee of the Selectmen. I have 101.
been informed by the assistant clerk, that he has not been
able to find such record in the minutes of the board
of Selectmen. The committee ask leave further to report,
that the lands owned by the City on Washington place;
or Fort hill; and which may be considered as convertible
property has been estimated at from 14,000 to 15,000 square
feet; and that in their opinion additional measures
ought to be taken to stake out and ascertain the cor-
rect boundaries of said lands. Respectfully submitted
in the committee. (Brig: Russell).

Read and accepted.

The committee to whom was re- Washington
ferred the petition of David W. Bradley, and others, and also the Avenue:
petition of William Parker, and others, praying that Washington Bradley
Avenue may be accepted, widened and retained by the City, & Parker
also the memorial of William Foster, have attended to the Foster.
duty assigned them, and ask leave to report. That in their
opinion; the public safety and convenience ~~requires~~ does not
require; that said Avenue should be widened, at the ex-
pense of the City. They would however recommend; that
said avenue be accepted, and paved by the City; your
committee further recommend, that whenever a building is
erected on the lot of land now belonging to said William
Foster, bounding southerly on said Washington Avenue and
easterly on Purchase street, the City should require the owner

102. of said lot to round the southerly corner thereof, so as to reduce said corner three feet, from the point where the fence now stands, and also that the steps on the south side of said avenue should be removed, whenever the City shall see it to have the same. All which is respectfully submitted, by order of the committee. W. Kimball, Chairman.
Read and accepted & ordered accordingly.

Davis

Hanover St.

The committee, to whom was referred the communication of Isaac Davis, Report, that in their opinion the public safety and convenience require, that Hanover street should be widened, by taking a strip or parcel of land from the lot on the north side of said street, and belonging to said Davis, that is to say, beginning on Hanover street and running northerly, on the easterly side line of said Davis' land, four feet six inches, from thence running forty two feet eleven inches to the westerly bounds of said lot, striking a point two feet north from the present line of said street and from thence to said street, two feet, thence running easterly on the present line of said street to the first mentioned bounds, at the south easterly corner of said lot. According to Mr. Fuller's plan, herewith presented it will be seen, that the land to be taken would be about three hundred square feet, being seven feet on the easterly line of the lot of said Davis, and two feet six inches on the westerly line thereof, but the committee are of opinion, taking into consideration the public convenience, on the

one hand; and the extreme affection of the owner of said 113
land on the other, that it is most expedient, that the
smaller portion should be taken, as recommended above.

The lowest price which the committee have been able to
induce the owner to agree to receive for the land, to be
taken is three dollars per square foot. Upon committee
further recommend that should the said land be taken
said Davis should be allowed and paid therefor at the
rate of one dollar and fifty cents for each and every
square foot of land so taken, say, two hundred feet at one
dollar and fifty cents is three hundred dollars. All
which is respectfully submitted by order of the Com-
mittee.

W. S. Kendall.

Ordered, that the foregoing report be accepted, provided
Mr. Davis will accept the sum proposed.

Ordered, that the Mayor be au- Faxon's
thorized and requested to discharge a mortgage given by mortgage
Nathaniel Faxon to the City of Boston as collateral security
for the payment of a note of five thousand dollars, dated
bearing date March 5. 1826, the same being paid in full
Recorded in the Suffolk Registry of deeds, Lib. 308 fol. 226.

It appearing to this board, that no stamp
fee has been given to Nathaniel H. Townes, Junior, it was consequently
appearing that said stamp is an invoice of the McLean
Asylum for the insane at Charlestown, in consequence of
(which)

104. which he is unable to attend to said summons. And after the examination of the evidence, and a witness under oath, the board are of opinion, that said Swinep is a person now compos mentis, and incapable of taking care of himself, and might the Mayor and a majority of the board of Aldermen certify the same to the Judge of Probate for the County of Suffolk, in order that a guardian may be appointed according to law?

Mudd & Moore

June 5th

The committee on the notice of Messrs Mudd and Moore, that they were about building on Lynn street, report, that they have viewed the premises and have to state, that the selectmen laid out said Lynn street in the year 1783, commencing with North street and Annover street, as far west towards Westminster bridge as Charter street, to land of Benjamin Goodwin to be forty feet in width, that this line has been strictly observed by every board of selectmen and board of Aldermen acting as Surveyors of highways, since that period, as appears on investigation of the town records, by the committee and by the plan of William T. Fuller, herewith submitted. The line to be taken to preserve the line of forty feet is two hundred and thirty eight feet, the cost of the land to the present owners is one dollar, six and a quarter cents per square foot, and they ask of the City to pay them for the land to be taken as set off by W. T. Fuller, the sum of one dollar per square foot, or the sum of two hundred and thirty eight dollars

dollars, on their giving the usual release to the City for the \$105.
same. Your committee do not consider the price demanded
for the land much out of the reason, when they state that
near adjoining the premises is a building which on the
north side projects about seven feet into Lynn street, the
time of the removal of which is altogether uncertain, the
which however once removed, and the projections on which it
stands taken by the City, completes the original taking by
the Surveyors of 1793. -- Your committee have to state that
there seems to be some doubt whether said land now
belonging to Messrs Nudd and Moore was not embraced
in the original taking in 1793, and that the City may
avoid now paying for the same; but this question your
committee do not feel able to decide, and would recom-
mend the same to the City Solicitor to examine the commis-
sion under which said Lynn street was widened in '93
and to report the same to this board.

On behalf of the committee. M. J. Oliver.

Read and accepted, and referred to the
City Solicitor accordingly.

The joint committee of the City, Goodhue
Council, on the petition of Samuel Goodhue and twenty five others
praying that a convenient building might be erected
at the Mill dam, as a school room for the accommodation
of the children of the inhabitants, in that vicinity, there being
no room in any dwelling house convenient for that purpose.
have

106 have had the same under consideration and ask
Goodhue leave respectfully to submit a brief statement of facts, &
report a resolve for the consideration of the Council.
There is now at the Mill dam a City primary
school at which something over forty children usually
attend. The number set forth in the petition as subjects
of the school is 55, from the age of three to fourteen,
under the charge of a female teacher, with an annual
salary of \$250, which includes the rent of the school
room. The room is not convenient, its situation which is
in a public house is not proper, and there is great dif-
ficulty as the committee learn from the petitioners and from
the sub committee of the school, in obtaining a room adapt-
ed to the purposes of education in that vicinity, and that it
is very desirable to have altogether a different room and
location than that now used. Your committee are of opinion
the evil complained of is to be remedied, and the object of
the petitioners accomplished by the adoption of one of two
courses - either that a suitable building be erected by some
individual or individuals interested in the object, and the
city take a lease of the same for a term of years, pay-
ing an annual rent of fifty or sixty dollars, in which
event the primary school committee are already authorized,
it will be remembered, by a vote of the City Council of
the last year, to enter into a contract of this kind, for
a term not exceeding ten years, and at an annual rent
not exceeding sixty dollars, the City Council itself might
cause

cause, the building, to be erected, at a moderate price, on A07.
condition, that the land on which the City would build Goodhue
should be given to the City, for that purpose; and here,
it is perhaps proper, that your committee should state,
that there is now no accommodations at the Mill dam
for public worship, on the sabbath, and that it appears
to be the object of the Petitioners, if they can obtain a
school room, that they should wish to avail of the same,
for the other purpose just mentioned, and in this view
it is, that your committee deem it no more than right,
that if the school room is erected, at the public expense,
under existing circumstances, that the land should come to
the City free of cost. The expense of building the school
room, say twenty eight by twenty six feet in six, one story
high, need not exceed the sum of four hundred dollars; &
the City would derive an annual rent of fifty dollars, which
might be deducted quarterly from the salary of the teacher;
and this rent your committee understand from the primary
school committee would be agreeable to her to pay, it being
about the average rate of rent paid throughout the City.
In this view of the subject, the City would make an annual
saving of twenty six dollars, not however taking into
view the wear and tear of the building and its liability
to fire. Such a school house, would probably meet the wants
of that portion of the population of the City for many years
to come, and if erected in either of the ways now pointed
out, would be agreeable to the views of the Petitioners. Your
committee

108. Committee therefore, in reference to the latter course, proceed to report a resolve as follows—

Resolved, That in the event of there being conveyed to the City of Boston, free of cost to the City, a piece of land of suitable location and dimensions for a building twenty eight by twenty six feet in size, with sufficient yard room for school purposes attached thereto, near the Mill dam, so called, and within the limits of the City, that the City Council will cause to be erected thereon a one story wooden building measuring twenty eight feet by twenty six feet, provided the same can be done at a cost not exceeding four hundred dollars; and building to be exclusively appropriated for school purposes for the accommodation of that portion of the inhabitants of the City residing near the Mill dam, so called. An annual rent for the said building to be charged by the City, at a sum not exceeding fifty dollars, which rent is to be deducted by the Committee having charge of said school, for the time being, from the quarterly payments made to the Teacher. All which is respectfully submitted, in behalf of the Committee.

Henry J. Oliver.

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence

Same m^r concurred.

DeWolf

Petition of D. A. DeWolf, and others, May street, to have May street repaved. Read and committed to Aldermen Loring & Armstrong, to consider and report.

Ordered, that the City Solicitor AG.
investigate, under the direction of the Mayor, the titles of the Fort hill,
several abutments on the easterly side of Fort hill. Ascertain
the rights of the City, in and to the land on that part
of said hill.

Petition of John Ballard, & Ballard,
Levi Ballard praying, that Bromfield street be widened. Bromfield St.
Read and thereupon resolved, that the whole board will
meet on the premises on Friday next, eleven o'clock P.M.

Adjourned to Friday next, eleven o'clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the board of Alder-
men, of the City of Boston, on Friday the tenth day of,
March, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present.

The Mayor. Aldermen Oliver, Russell, Lewis and Wells.

The board proceeded to view Bromfield St. Bromfield St.
and thereupon ordered, that notice be given to Lot. Charles H. Street.
Cornell, who is building a small wooden building on said
street, to appear before the board, this afternoon, at half past
four o'clock, and show cause, if any he have, why his said
building should not be set back in a line with the shop
to the westward of the same, and the land taken to widen
said street.

Adjourned to half past four o'clock, P.M.

Afternoon.

Met according to adjourn.

Present Mr. Mayor, Alderman Minor, Hendon, Holt, Lewis
and Wells.

Bronfield,

Col. Donnell appeared agreeably to notice
and after a full hearing of the parties it is thereupon
ordered that the subject be referred to Alderman Hendon
and Wells, with full powers to make such arrangements
with the parties in relation to the subject of widening
Bronfield street as to them may be deemed just and
suitable.

Adjourned to Wednesday next, four o'clock, p. m.

At a meeting of the board of Ald.

Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Wednesday, the fifteenth day of April, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present.

The Mayor, Aldermen Oliver, Loring, Hall, Armstrong, Russell, Lewis and Wells.

Petition of Francis Jackson, Father, Jackson
primary School Committee, for the seventh district, praying, primary sch.
that the City should erect a building on its own land near
Washington and Northampton streets, for the accommodation of
said school. Read and committed in Common Council to
Messrs. Bigelow, Thaxter and Abbot, with such as the board
of Aldermen might join, to consider and report. Came up
for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Hall
and Lewis are joined.

Petition of Archibald McNeill, McNeill
praying, for some compensation for a piece of land, which, near st.
he dedicated to the use of the public, in the years
1796 & 1797, and which is now a part of Pearl street.
Read and committed in the Common Council to
Messrs. Waters, Putnam and Amos B. Parker, with
such as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider
and report. Came up for concurrence. Read and
concurred, and Aldermen Oliver and Loring
are joined.

The joint committee to whom was referred the petition of George Mills, to purchase a piece of land belonging to the City, situated on Union street, measuring easterly on said Union street, two feet three inches, thence turning northeasterly on Merrimac street, and thence measuring five feet; northwesterly on land of the City, thence measuring forty feet, and southerly on land of said Mills, thence measuring forty three feet five inches to the point of beginning on said Union street.

Report, that in the opinion of your committee it will be, for the interest of the City, that the prayer of said petition be granted; provided said Mills will pay for the same two dollars per square foot, the said admeasurements being agreeable to a plan of A. P. Fuller, accompanying this report. The whole quantity of land proposed to be sold, said Mills is one hundred, thirty three feet, which at two dollars per square foot is two hundred, sixty six dollars, on the payment of which your committee recommend, that a proper deed of conveyance of said land be made, by the Mayor in behalf of the City. All which is respectfully submitted. Henry J. Oliver, in behalf of the joint committee. Read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Schools

(Order of the Common Council after regulation of pointing Messrs Adams, Minns and Townsend, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, a committee to consider and report upon the expediency of modifying or repealing,

repealing the existing ordinance, and resolutions relative to M.S. Schools. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred; and the Mayor and Alderman Wells are joined.

Ordered, that the Mayor and Board of Alderman shall be a committee to enquire into the pay, accounts and the duties of the board of accounts as established by an act to regulate the administration of justice within the County of Suffolk, and for other purposes, and to report fully upon the subject whether or not it would be expedient to apply to the Legislature for an alteration in the said act.

Petition of Lot Wheelwright, & others, Wheelwright to have the easterly end of Pearl street widened. Read and Pearl street committed to Aldermen Kendall and Rupell, to consider & report.

Petition of Philip Wentworth, asking Wentworth to be remunerated for land which he claims within the Greenough lane fence which he was obliged to remove from Greenough lane in the year 1825. - Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and Wells, to consider and report.

David Greenough's proposition in relation Greenough to widening Milkstreet. Read and committed to Aldermen Milkst. Kendall & Rupell, to consider and report.

Resolved, that the public safety & convenience require; that Elm street be widened, and the same is hereby laid out and widened, in manner following, viz: Beginning at the northeasterly corner of a store on said Elm street, belonging to William H. Sumner, Esq. and running southwesterly, by the easterly side of said store seven feet, four inches, then running southeasterly about seventy feet to a point on Dock Square, four feet southerly of the northeasterly corner of land belonging to George Bethune, Esq. then running northerly by said Dock Square four feet, then running northwesterly by the present line of Elm street, sixty nine feet eleven inches, to the place of beginning; taking from G. Bethune three hundred, ninety six and three quarters, square feet of land.

Dock Square,

Resolved, that the public safety & convenience require, that Dock Square be widened, and the same is hereby laid out and widened, in manner following, viz: Beginning at the northeasterly corner of a store on said Dock Square belonging to Ebenezer Breed, Esq. and running northerly by the present line of said Dock Square, about twenty-one feet ten inches to the line of Elm street, as laid out & established by the above resolve, relative to Elm street, then northwesterly by said Elm street as established in said resolve four feet, then southerly about twenty one feet to a point on the northerly side of said Breed's store, five feet, four inches, westerly from said northeasterly corner thereof, then easterly by said store five feet, four inches, to the place of beginning; taking

taking from George Bethune, Esq. ninety eight and one 115.
third square feet of said land.

Also, beginning at the southerly
corner of said Breed's store aforementioned, and running south-
westerly by the present line of Dock square, eighteen feet one
inch to a point; then running northeasterly about nineteen
feet six inches to a point on the southerly side of said
store six feet two inches distant northwesterly from said
southerly corner thereof; then running southeasterly by said
store six feet two inches to the place of beginning; taking
from John G. Torrey, Esq. fifty four and an half square
feet of land; said pieces of land so taken to widen S.
Elm street and Dock square, are marked on a plan taken
by J. P. Fuller, dated January 24. 1820, in the Mayor and
Aldermen's office.

Ordered, that the report of the com- Davis
mittee on the ~~subject~~ subject of taking a piece of Isaac Hanover's
Davis's land to widen the southerly part of Hanover
street be accepted, and that said Davis be allowed one
dollar and fifty cents per square foot, for his land
so taken to widen said street.

Petition of George Mills, praying, that Mills.
a common sewer may be laid in Union street, in continuation Union street.
of the sewer, in said street to Mill creek. Read & committed
to Aldermen Oliver & Wells, to consider and report.

Ordered, that the following named persons be, and they hereby are constituted, and appointed assistant assessors, for the City of Boston, for the ensuing year viz:

Simon Wilkinson

Nehemiah Sampson, Inhabitants of Ward N^o 1.

Benjamin Clarke,

Ephraim Milton, Inhabitants of Ward N^o 2.

Warren Bowker,

Philip Adams, Inhabitants of Ward N^o 3.

Lorenzo Draper,

Reuben Reed, Inhabitants of Ward N^o 4.

Mark Mealey,

Nathaniel Hammond, Inhabitants of Ward N^o 5.

Billings Briggs,

George A. Hodges, Inhabitants of Ward N^o 6.

William Lawrence,

Ozias Goodwin, Inhabitants of Ward N^o 7.

Silas Bullard,

Henry Lee, Inhabitants of Ward N^o 8.

Josiah Bradlee,

Jeffery Richardson, Inhabitants of Ward N^o 9.

James Freeman,

Prentiss Hobbs, Inhabitants of Ward N^o 10.

John Thompson,

John P. Thandike, Inhabitants of Ward N^o 11.

John Griggs,

George

George Page, Inhabitants of Ward N^o 12. M.

Came up for concurrence.
(Read & concurred.)

On the communication of the City Vaults.

Marshal Ordered, that the same rules and regulations which were adopted in relation to the emptying of vaults as were in force the last year be adopted for the present year; & that notice be given, notifying the citizens that unless their vaults be entered as early as the fifteenth day of March next, that no more than one load will be allowed to be taken therefrom unless by a special permit.

The committee on the petition of Wallis.

Aaron Wallis, to repair or relay a common sewer in Bartlett St. Bartlett street, reported, that notice be published in the public papers, to all persons interested in the premises between Hanover and Ann streets through Bartlett street, to appear on Wednesday next, at four o'clock, P. M. & show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted, and the cause thereof who shall be benefited thereby, according to law. Read and accepted, and ordered accordingly.

A requisition of Judge of Probate of N. H.

The County of Suffolk, that inquiry be made upon Francis Compas mentis Lee, of the City of Boston, merchant, who has been represented by

118. by the brother Thomas Lee Shaver, of said Boston Merchant, as a person now competent, and incapable of taking care of himself, that the same may be referred to said Judge in order that a Guardian be appointed, according to law.

Read and thereupon ordered, that the said Thomas be notified to appear before this board, on Wednesday next, two o'clock P. M. and show cause if any he have why he should not be declared now competent as aforesaid.

Done & Signed

The committee of the City Council
Old State house to whom was referred the application of the proprietors of the
church Hall reading room and news room to have the refusal
of the lower floor of the Old State house for the purpose of
converting the same into a post office and public reading
room report that in the opinion of this committee the in-
terest of the City and the accommodation of the commercial
part of the community will be greatly promoted by having the
post office and a public news room permanently established
in a place so central and convenient as the lower floor of
the Old State house. They therefore recommend that the re-
quest of the applicants to have the refusal of said lower
floor for the purposes above mentioned be granted for a
term not exceeding ninety days, and that a committee be
raised with authority to agree on terms and conditions with
such persons as may be authorized on the part of the ap-
plicants, but no agreement which may be entered into by
the

the parties to be binding on the City, until the same AQ.
shall have been submitted to and confirmed by the City
Council.

John T. Loring, for the Committee.

Read and accepted, and thereupon ordered, that
the Committee who made this report be authorized to carry
the same into effect. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Edward K. Adams, Frederick D. Allen, Firemen

John M. Stone, William Calder, Peter Trott, William Clarke, Ward No. 11.
Samuel Smith, Junr, Oliver Bliss, William S. Blodson, George L.
Montague, Henry Williams, George F. Payson, Richard L. Greulough
and Henry K. Cushing, were nominated & appointed firemen
Ward No. 11. —

Daniel F. Harding, Samuel Brown, Firemen

and John S. Goodale ~~and~~ were discharged at their own request Ward No. 12.
and Olio Everett Junior, Charles W. Davenport and Robert E.
Farber, were nominated and appointed, firemen Ward No. 12.

The committee on the petition of William Wheeler

W. Wheeler, and others, praying, that Pleasant street may be Pleasant street
repaired, and repaired, reported that the prayer of said pe-
tition be granted. Read and accepted.

Adjourned to Wednesday next, four o'clock p.m.

(At a meeting of the board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Wednesday, the
twenty second day of April, Anno Domini, 1820.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Common Malls

Ordered: that the Mayor, Aldermen Oliver and Loring, be a standing committee on the Common, Malls, Fort and Copp's hill.

Smith

Foster

Petitions of Benjamin Smith and others, William Foster and others, praying, that the pas-
sage of Cows on the Avenue of Cows on the Common may hereafter be prohib-
ited. Read and committed to the committee on the Common &c. to consider and report.

Assistant ap'rs.

Ward 7.

(Order of the Common Council ap-
pointing Reuben Richards, Junior, and Josiah S. Hastings,
assistant ap'rs for ward N^o 7. the ensuing year in place
of William Lawrence and Elias Goodwin, who decline
serving

Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

Salaries

(An order to establish the salaries of
the several officers of the City of Boston and County of Suffolk
during the current year. Came up for concurrence.

Read & concurred.

Order of the Common Council 121.

authorizing the City Treasurer to borrow for the use of the Treasurer, City, and in anticipation of the tax of the financial year, commencing the first day of May, next, a sum of money not exceeding one hundred and twenty thousand dollars, reimbursable at such times within the said year, and on such other terms and conditions as the committee of finance may approve. Lame up for concurrence.
Read and concurred.

Petition of Francis Trask & Trask

others, praying, to be admitted engine men, and that they Engine N^o 4. may take charge of engine N^o 1, or any other which may be placed in the Engine house, Chardon street. Read and committed to the committee on the fire department, to consider and report.

Remonstrance of William Wentworth & Wentworth

others against a large four story building on Bond street, being Bond st. used for the purposes it is now intended by the owner thereof, viz: the upper stories as a carpenter's shop, and the lower one as a blacksmith's shop. Read and committed to the committee on the fire department, to consider & report.

Petition of Robert Waterston, praying, Waterston

that the head of High Street may be widened. Read. Committed High St. to Aldermen Kendall & Russell to consider & report.

Petition of Francis J. Oliver,
(Oliver) to be remunerated for damage done to a house belonging to him, by order or permission of the Engineers of the fire department in order to stop a fire on Canal street 14th February 1828. Read and committed to the Mayor to consider and report.

Petition of Joseph P. Bradlee, in
Granary burial behalf of the proprietors of tombs in the Granary burial ground, praying to improve the side next the new Hotel by a row of trees and making a gravel walk in front, under the direction of the Superintendent of burial grounds, and at the expense of the proprietors. Read and committed to Atterman Hall and Wells, to consider and report.

Petition of the proprietors of the Green
Dragon Dragon estate, praying to be remunerated for land taken to widen Union street, Read and thereupon ordered, that said proprietors be allowed and paid two thousand dollars, in full of all damages occasioned by the taking of their land and removing their buildings in order to widen said street; said sum to be paid upon satisfactory evidence being given of their title to said estate.

Orator
 4th July. Hon. James Trecothick Austin, was nominated & appointed the orator to pronounce the oration on the 4th July, next, the anniversary of the declaration of Independence.

O
The committee on the petition 123.

of Reuben Rose, praying leave to take up a part of Bond Street, for the purpose of laying a section from a well in Lafayette Court, to his houses on Bond Street, reported, that Bond Street leave be granted, to lay the same; provided; that it be done without interfering at all with the common sewer or any private drains, and that it be made under the direction of the Superintendent of Streets.

Read and accepted.

The committee to whom was Haskins referred the petition of Thomas Haskins, and others, report, Washington St. that the City have adopted the line on which the Lafayette Hotel stands, both southerly and northerly, and have paid M^r. Hastings, for the land taken to widen the street north- only of the Hotel, at the rate of one dollar and a quarter per square foot. The committee recommend that when a deed of the land in question being about one hundred & eighty six square feet shall be presented to the City, that one dollar a square foot be allowed and paid therefor.

James Hall, for the committee.

Read and accepted.

The committee on the petition Greene of Gardiner Greene, and others, to have the name of Tremont Street restored to Common Street, reported, that the subject be referred to the Mayor & Aldermen. Came up for concurrence.

Read & concurred.

124.

On the petition of Gardiner Greene

Greene and others. Ordered, that the street running from Washington Street to Court Street, now called Common Street be hereafter Pemberton Hill known and called by the name of Tremont Street.

And that the part of Common Street, extending from its junction with Court Street and Howard Street be hereafter known and called by the name of Pemberton Hill.

Reservoirs.

The committee on the fire department and reservoirs, reported, that an order passed authorizing them to contract for the making and placing Reservoirs, in the following places, viz: One in Poplar Street; one in Hanover Street, near the New North Meeting house; one in Washington Street, near Boylston market; one tide reservoir in the Mill Creek, where the Creek is now filling up; one tide reservoir in Sea Street; two south of Boylston Market, to be supplied from the Aqueduct. The same to be made of such materials and dimensions as the said committee may judge best.

M. G. Otis, per order.

Read and accepted.

Gray

The committee on the petition of Samuel Gray report, that the case of the petitioner is one of peculiar hardship, and would entitle him to a remedy, if it were competent to the City government to provide one. But no precedent can be found for granting applications made by persons in circumstances similar to

those

those of the petitioner; on the contrary they have invariably been refused. The committee therefore report, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

M. G. Otis, per orders.

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The committee on the fire department Engine house
report the following orders viz: South Boston.

Ordered, that the committee on the fire department be authorized to contract for & cause to be constructed an engine house on the City's land at South Boston, in such part thereof as they shall deem expedient, to be built of wood, conformably to such plans as may be determined on by them.

Also, that said committee be Engine house
authorized to contract for and cause to be constructed an engine house in Salem street, on land lately purchased by the City; to be built of brick, and of suitable dimensions and two stories in height, conformable to such plan as may be determined on by them. Read and accepted, and the orders passed.

The committee on the petition of Wainwright.
Peter Wainwright, for leave to occupy a wooden building on Bond street, as a livery stable, reported, that the Pet.
have leave to withdraw his petition. Read & accepted.

Marsh
Sawelle st

The committee on the petition of Ephraim Marsh, praying, that the common sewer may be continued through Sawelle street, Report, that in 1803, the town of Boston, paid said Marsh for 172 feet of drain leading from Pleasant street towards the sea or salt water. In 1821, the town paid for the building of 132 feet more in continuation of the same, and in 1822, the city paid for the further length of 49 feet, being all that was then required. In filling up and making a street, called Sawelle street, it becomes necessary to continue the said drain to the sea water, a distance of about four hundred feet. The committee recommended that the drain should be continued at the expense of the city under the direction of the Superintendent of Streets, upon condition that the whole be conveyed to the City, with the privilege of using the same as a common sewer, and that the drain be kept open & in good repair at the expense of said Marsh.

James Wall, for the committee.

Read and not accepted, and thereupon ordered, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

Goodhue

The committee on the petition of Samuel Goodhue, and others, praying, that an Engine may be established on the Western Avenue, near the Mills, Report, that the prayer of said petition ought not to be granted. The foregoing report, read and accepted.

The committee to whom was 127.

referred the petition of Archibald McNeill, representing that McNeill, he was the owner of the land lying on the west side Pearl street of Hutchinson street, now called Pearl street, and that he dedicated a strip of land containing 1/200 square feet for widening the said street, for which he never received any compensation, and now asking such pecuniary relief as to the City Council may seem just have had the same under consideration and heard the party petitioning and ask leave respectfully to report, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition. And which is submitted in behalf of the committee. Henry T. Oliver.
(Read and accepted). Sent down for concurrence.
Came up concurred.

Petition of Winslow Lewis, praying Lewis that measures may be adopted to keep open the creek for the admission of vessels extending up to Northampton street, and that he will pay one half of the expense of the same, or if preferred, he will purchase of the City, a strip of marsh, six rods deep and open said canal at his own expense. Read and committed to the committee on the Neck lands, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence.
Came up concurred.

Stephen Eddy and Samuel Jones - Auctioneers
licensed as auctioneers, place of business 475 Washington St.

Petition of Warren White, and

White others, owners of certain parcels of flats in the southerly part of the City, lying westerly from Washington street, adjoining a spacious lot owned by the City, and contiguous to his neck lands, praying, that the City, would extend, in connection with theirs a wall along the boundary line to Northampton street, and making such other improvements as will effectually exclude the water from flowing thereon. Read and committed to the Committee on Neck lands, to consider and report.

Sent down for concurrence.

Leaves up concurred.

Wallis

Bartlett St.

It appearing to this board, that notice has been given, agreeably to the order passed at the last meeting, on the petition of Aaron Wallis, for all persons interested to appear at this time and show cause, if any they have, why the common sewer in Bartlett street should not be taken up and relaid, and the expense thereof apportioned according to law upon those whose estates shall be benefited thereby; And now no person appearing to object, it is thereupon ordered, that said sewer be taken up and relaid, and the expense thereof apportioned as aforesaid.

Mills

Union St.

It appearing to this board, that notice has been given, on the petition of George Mills, praying that a common sewer may be made by the City, in continuance of the sewer in Union street, to extend to the Mills

Leaves

Leeds. And now no person appearing to object, it is there. 129.
upon ordered, that said sewer be laid as prayed for, up-
on condition, that said Mill pay one half of the expense
of building or laying the same, and that the work be
done under the direction of the Superintendent of streets.

It appearing to this board, that Lee
notice has been given to Francis Lee, and it appears that *non compos mentis*.
said Lee is an inmate of the McLean asylum for the in-
sane at Charlestown, in consequence of which he is unable to
attend to said summons. And after the examination of the
evidence and a witness under oath, the board are of opin-
ion, that the said Lee is a person *non compos mentis*, &
incapable of taking care of himself; accordingly the Mayor &
Aldermen certified the same to the Judge of Probate, for the
County of Suffolk, in order that a Guardian may be ap-
pointed according to law.

Remonstrance of William Barry. Barry
against the City's leasing the lower floor of the Old State, Old State house.
house, as he has a lease of the two shops at the westerly
end thereof, which will not expire until the first day
of October 1830. Read and thereupon ordered, that the
subject be referred to the City Solicitor for his opinion, as to
the construction of the lease.

The committee to whom was Greenough
referred the communication of David Greenough, respecting the widening
ing

130. ing Milk street, Report, That in their opinion, it is expedient that Milk street should be widened on the northerly side thereof by taking a strip of land from the lot now or lately owned by John Dorr, beginning on said Milk street & running northerly on the westerly line of said lot of land, five feet six inches, from thence turning and running easterly, seventy one feet six inches, until it strikes a point at the easterly bounds of said lot, two feet six inches north of said street, and from thence running south to said street, then turning and running westerly on the present line of the street to the southwesterly corner of said lot making two hundred and eighty six square feet. Your committee further recommends that there should be allowed and paid said Greenough, by the City, at the rate of one dollar per foot, for the land so taken when he shall have executed and delivered to the City a good and sufficient deed for the same. Respectfully submitted, per order.

M. Kendall.

Read & adopted, & ordered accordingly.

Representatives

Ordered, that a message be transmitted to the Common Council requesting its concurrence in as signing Friday, the first day of May, next, at eight o'clock P.M. for a meeting of the two branches of the City Council in Convention, to determine upon the number of Representatives, which it may be expedient for the Corporation to send to the next General Court, of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. —

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The committee to whom was re. 131.

ferred the memorial of Richards Child, requesting, that a ^{H.} of Industry fire engine be placed in the establishments of the houses of Reformation of Industry and Reformation. Report the following order, Engine N^o 4

Ordered, that the committee on the fire department be authorized to put Engine N^o 4, in sufficient repair and transfer the same to some convenient location near the houses of Industry and Reformation, and to make all proper regulations for the care and management of the same. Also to remove the fire engine number seventeen to engine house number four, and to cause to be built and placed in Engine house number seventeen, a new engine with a suction hose. M. G. Otis, per order.
Read & accepted, and the order passed.

The committee on the subject of Schools
the expediency of modifying or amending the existing ordinance and resolutions relative to Schools - respectfully state
That by the aforesaid ordinance, the School committee are authorized to fix and determine the amount of the respective salaries paid to the instructors of the different schools and in virtue thereof they apportion and distribute the sums appropriated to that object, or so much thereof as is necessary, in their discretion. That this authority is limited by the amount of moneys granted by the City government, in which alone is vested the power of raising moneys by taxes upon the inhabitants, and of designating the objects of expenditure.
This

132. This power of fixing the salaries, within this limit, can be more conveniently exercised, by such committee, than in any other mode, and can be repealed or revoked at the pleasure of the City Council, whenever circumstances occur, that may render it expedient. Your committee are not aware of any such circumstances existing at present, and therefore report the following resolves. —

Resolved, that it is not expedient to modify or repeal the ordinance, entitled "An ordinance providing for the election and compensation of instructors of the public schools."

H. G. Otis, her orders.

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Brown

Application of Daniel T. Brown, for a

Sea monster. license to exhibit a sea monster at Salem street, for two weeks. Read and the prayer thereof granted, on paying therefor ten dollars per week.

Brooks

Petition of Noah Brooks, and others,

Broadway

praying, that the elevation of Broadway, may be determined.

Read and committed to Alderman Hall P. Lewis, to consider & report.

May street

Communication of Esargent, in relation

to the elevation of May street, Read and committed to Mayor & Aldermen Soring & Armstrong, to consider & report.

Adjourned to ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

(At a meeting of the board, 133.

of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Thursday the twenty third day of April, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen.

The committee on the application of Joseph P. Bradlee, in behalf of the proprietors of Granary burial ground, on the side of the Granary burial ground, adjacent to the Tremont Hotel, ask leave to report: that in the opinion of the committee, the making a gravel walk, and planting a row of trees, would greatly improve the appearance of the ground and be a convenience to the proprietors of the tombs adjoining the proposed walk. The committee wish that such an improvement might be made to circumscribe the whole ground. They therefore recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be granted, provided the work be done with the consent of all the proprietors of the tombs adjoining does not interfere with any of the graves, and is done under the direction of the committee of the burial grounds. James Hall, for the committee.
Read and accepted.

(On the petition of Joseph Ballard, Ballard, praying that Bromfield street be widened, and Alpheus Bromfield, Esq. Bigelow, Junior, Esquire, the owner of the land proposed to be taken, having been duly notified appeared, and objected to taking

134. taking the same at present until he shall rebuild his house at the corner of said Steel, and Washington street. And after a full hearing and mature deliberation being thereon had, the board are of opinion that it is not expedient at present to widen said Brownfield street, as requested in said petition.

Augusta Geo
Conflagration.

The Mayor communicated a circular letter from Thomas Cumming, and others, in behalf of the Citizens of the City of Augusta (Georgia) stating, that said City suffered greatly in consequence of a tremendous conflagration which commenced on the third instant, which consumed about two hundred houses, whereby more than fifteen hundred persons were deprived of a house, and praying relief in these distressing circumstances. Read and thereupon—

Ordered, that a copy of the said letter be sent to each of the pastors of the several churches in this City, and that the Mayor be authorized to recommend in behalf of the board a contribution therein for the relief of the sufferers by the late fire in said Augusta.

Ordered, that a sufficient number of copies be printed for that purpose.

Roxbury

The committee report on the application of the Selectmen of Roxbury, that they have lent them six fire staves until the further order of this board.

Read and accepted.

Petition of Francis Trask, and 135.

others, praying, that they may be admitted as engine men; Trask and that they may have the care of Engine N^o 4, or Engine N^o 1, such other engine and apparatus as may be placed in the Engine house on Chardon street. Read and the prayer thereof granted.

A list of the members of the Engines
apportioned fire engine and Hydraulion companies N^o 18 & 19.
18 & 19, as on file; admitted by said company.
Read and approved, and thereupon ordered, that
certificates of membership be issued to them ac-
cordingly.

Adjourned to Wednesday next 4 o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Wednesday, the twenty ninth day of April, Anno Domini, 1820.

Presents.

The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen.

Representatives.

A message was received from the Common Council, declaring its concurrence in the proposition of this board, to form a convention of the City Council, on Friday, the first day of May, next, at eight o'clock P.M. for the purpose of determining ~~upon~~ the number of Representatives, it may be expedient for the Corporation to send to the next General Court.

Police Court.

Order of the Common Council, appointing Messrs Ellis, Escholtz and Williams, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, a committee to take into consideration the laws of this Commonwealth establishing the police court, and report on the expediency of an application to the Legislature, to reduce the number of judges to two. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Kendall & Armstrong were joined.

Appropriations.

Appropriations.

An order relative to specific appropriations.
(Came up for concurrence).
Read & concurred.

Petition of Patrick J. Jackson: 137.

and others, and William Appleton and others, praying, Jackson
that the granary burial ground may be ornamented by Appleton
the planting of trees and shrubs in such parts thereof as granary burial
have no tombs, which the petitioners agree to do, under the ground.
direction of the Superintendent of burial grounds. Read
and committed to the committee on burial grounds and
cemeteries to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence.
Came up, concurred.

Order of the Common Council, Coolidge
committing the petition of Joseph Coolidge and others, praying, New Engine
that a new engine may be established at the westerly part
of the city to Messrs Waters, Putnam and Abbott, with
such as the board of Aldermen might join to consider and
report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred,
and Aldermen Loring and Armstrong are joined.

The committee on the petition of Brooks
Noah Brooks, and others, to make the street called Broad Broadway,
way, ask leave to report, that they have consulted with
Mr. Patterson, and Mr. Fuller, who are of opinion, that
to make the street as prayed for, would cost a sum
exceeding three thousand dollars: that the street is not
greatly travelled, and but few houses yet erected there.
The committee also find in the act annexing South
Boston to the town, this proviso, "that the town shall
not

138. not be obliged to complete the streets laid out by the Selectmen, pursuant to this act, sooner than they may deem it expedient so to do. The committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following order; That it is inexpedient at present to make the street as prayed for, but that the Surveyors be directed to furnish the petitioners with the proposed elevation of the street, under the direction of the Superintendent, and that he also be directed to repair any such places as may be necessary to make the travel safe and convenient. James Hall, for y^e Com^{rs}.
Read and accepted.

Glover
Constables of
Watch
The committee of the City Council to whom was referred the petition of E^d. Glover, and others, the Constables of the watch, for an increase of pay & that in the opinion of the committee it is not admissible either to increase the wages of the City Watch, they therefore recommend, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition. Read & accepted. Sent down for concurrence.
Carried not concurred.

Hall
Union Street.
Petition of Jonathan P. Hall, & others, praying, that Union street be widened in that part between Hanover street and Salt Lane so that the same be made thirty eight feet wide. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and Wells, to consider and report. —

Petition of Thomas Howe, Junr. 139.

praying for some relief in consequence of an injury which Howe, he sustained at a fire in Broad street, on the ninth day of December, last, by falling through a scuttle of a store then on fire, he being at the time in discharge of his duty as a member of engine company N^o 10. Read & committed to the committee on the fire department, to consider & report.

Petition of Asa Weston, and others. Weston

Inhabitants of Roxbury, living in the neighborhood of the Boston Iron work, praying that they may have liberty to send their children to the school, which has been established on the Western avenue, upon paying therefor. Read and committed to Aldermen Spring and Amshury to consider and report.

Petition of John Simmons, & others, Simmons.

praying that they may be compensated for an error in the measurement of certain lots of land on Ann street, which they purchased of the City, the same having fallen short of the number of feet, stated in their deeds. Read and committed to the Aldermen Oliver and Wells with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part. Mess^{rs} Gould, Thaxter and William Parker.

1110.

Petition of Susan C. Hooper,

Hooper praying that the amount of account due from the City, to her late husband Stephen Hooper, Esquire, for legal services rendered the City, upon her giving bond to save the City harmless from paying the same a second time. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and Young, to consider and report.

Wright &

Petition of William Wright and

Dame

Bathing house

A. A. Dame, praying for leave to establish a bathing house near the new bridge leading to South Boston, for the purpose of cold bathing and swimming, and that they may have the privilege of erecting and placing a floating bath in the waters of the channel west of the bridge between the land of the petitioners, and the northerly end of the wharf or pier connected with the bridge on the upper side. Read and committed to the committee on the free ~~detached~~ bridge, to consider & report. Sent down in concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Waterston

High St.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Robert Waterston, praying that High Street be widened, have considered the same, examined said street, and report: That the easterly section of said street in that part which forms a junction with Pearl Street, measures twenty one feet, eleven inches in breadth and at the easterly end thereof, where it joins Washington place

(on)

(on Fort hill) it is twenty eight feet, seven inches in breadth, 111.
being six feet, eight inches wider at the east end, where Mr.
Crombie is now building, than in that part adjoining Park
street. The committee are of opinion, that however desirable
it might have been some years ago, to have widened said
street, the time has gone by, when it was practicable to
accomplish such an improvement, in as much, as there
are several valuable new (or as good as new) brick dwelling
houses on both sides of the street, two of which at least,
would be nearly ruined should said street be made only
as wide throughout, as it now is, at the easterly end,
and considering also, that the travel through that sec-
tion of said street, must always be inconsiderable, when
compared with many other streets of the City, which
are no wider than this part of High street. Therefore
your committee are of opinion, that the public safety
and convenience does not require, that said street should
be widened, and recommend that no further order be
taken thereon. By order of the committee M. Kendall.

Read and accepted.

The committee to whom was re-ferred the petition of Lot Wheelwright, and others, to have
the easterly end of Pearl street widened, report, that the
Mr & Misses Cotton, say, they are willing to sell their
whole property for eighteen thousand dollars. The committee have
made inquiry what part of the above sum would be

Subscribed

142. Subscribed by the petitioners, and have no sums subscribed or promised; they therefore recommend, that no further order be taken on the within petition.

By order of the comd. J^{ts} Kendall.
Read and accepted.

Welsh

The committee on the petition of Thomas Welsh, Junior, Esquire, for compensation for services rendered the City as Counsel in certain suits, as per his account, Report, That from the best information they have been able to obtain, they are of opinion that there are several items in said account too high charged, and recommend that there be deducted, therefrom the sum of forty five dollars, leaving a balance of one hundred, eighty three dollars and sixty cents, to be paid in the usual course.
John T. Loring, for the committee.

Read and accepted.

Kedman

Petition of John Kedman, praying Washington St. compensation for filling in a piece of land used as a side walk in Washington street. Read and committed to Aldermen Kendall and Russell, to consider and report.

Firemen

Francis Frontis, Elisha Dwell, Henry Homer, George A. Eliot, Stephen Brown and John D. Braynard, nominated and appointed firemen Ward N^o 10.

Petition of Amasa Nelson, 1843.

Shayer, praying, that the stalls and stands, for the sale of Nelson articles may be removed from before their stores in North Thayer Market street. Read and committed to the committee on the Market, to consider and report.

The committee on the petition of Gray John Gray and others, praying that Hanover street to be Hanover street, by taking a part of the house and land belonging to the estate of Thomas S. Wordman deceased, at the corner of Portland street, made a report; which was read and re-committed to the same committee, and thereupon ordered, that the owners of said estate be notified to appear before this board, on Wednesday next, five o'clock P. M. and show cause if any they have, why a part of their said estate should not be taken to widen said Hanover street.

Requisition of the Judge of Probate, Curtis of the County of Suffolk, requiring inquiry to be made on non compos mentis. Elizabeth Curtis, of said Boston, widow who has been represented by Leach Curtis, of said Boston, merchant, her brother in law, as a person non compos mentis, and incapable of taking care of herself. Read and thereupon ordered, that the said Elizabeth be notified to appear before this board on Wednesday next, five o'clock, P. M. and show cause if any they have, why she should not be declared a non compos mentis, in order that a guardian may be appointed according to law.

114.

Petition of Samuel and David

Deems to have Washington street widened road. A resolution
Washington St. do notice ordered, at the last meeting Hon. Ric. Evans
Agent of Thomas Cole, accordingly appearing and objecting to the
widening of Washington street by taking part of the land of
said Cole, and after a full hearing and mature deliberation
being thereon had, it is thought & resolved, that the public
safety and convenience require, that Washington street be
widened, and the same is hereby laid out and widened in
manner following viz: Beginning at the southerly corner
of the 'Manboro' Hotel then running southerly about
four, three feet eight inches to land of Samuel & David Deems
at a point six feet two inches, northwesterly from the southerly
corner of land of Thomas Cole; then a little more southerly
about twenty one feet, nine inches to the southerly line
of said Deems's land at a point five feet six inches, north-
westerly from the southerly corner thereof; then running southerly
by the southerly line of said Deems's land, five feet six inches
to the present line of said street; then northeasterly about six
feet six inches to the place of beginning. Taking from
the estate of said Thomas Cole one hundred and thirteen square feet out of the estate of said
the estate of said Samuel and David Deems, one hundred
and sixteen square feet of land as marked on a plan
taken by S. P. Fuller, dated April 8. 1825.

Green Dragon

Ordered, that the subject of the pas-
sage of the Green Dragon estate be referred to the joint
committee to consider and report.

On the application to repave 145.

Bartlett street. Ordered, that public notice to all persons who Bartlett
are owners or otherwise interested in the estates bounded on street.
said street, to appear before this board, on wednesday, next,
five o'clock P. M. and shew cause, if any they have,
to the repaving said street, and to their being required to
lay their side walks, in the same, according to law, at
which time the subject will be considered.

N. G. Spelling, Esquire laid before Spelling
this board, an abstract of the five first volumes of the Reg. of deeds,
Records in the Register of deeds office. Whereupon ordered,
that the Mayor take such order for its safe keeping as
he may deem expedient.

An order laying a tax to defray Tax
the expenses of the City of Boston and County of Suffolk,
during the next financial year. Came up for concurrence.
Read & concurred.

Benjamin Kimball gives notice that he Kimball
is about building on Salem street N. 69, and prays that the Salem street
line and elevation of said street may be determined. Read &
committed to Aldermen Oliver & Wells, to consider & report.

Erasmus Nichols, gives notice that he is Nichols
about building on Hook & Green streets. Read & com. to Ald. Randall & Hook & Green st.
Nichols to consider & report.

Communication from Edward Crompton

including a copy of a letter from a gentleman, a native of Boston,
now resident in Liverpool, together with a box containing
eight cast iron plates, four containing the name of "State street,"
and four that of "Pearl street," which he presents for the
acceptance of the City. Read and accepted, and thereupon
ordered; that the said plates be placed up in the streets
above designated. And that the thanks of this Board be
presented to Samuel S. Chace Esq. for said donation.

St
McKins' News

Union, Street.

The committee, appointed, by an order of this board, passed on the sixteenth day of February, last, to settle with the heirs of Jenkins for land taken to widen Union street, near the Green Dragon Report, that they have agreed that the City pay said heirs, for the same, as follows viz: George Mills, Eliza Hair Jenkins, Sarah Jenkins, Oliver W. Bird, and Mary Eliza, his wife, the present owners of said Jenkins estate, four thousand four hundred and ninety square feet of land at one dollar & a quarter, five thousand six hundred twelve dollars & fifty cents, allowed in addition for compromise, one hundred dollar interest from first day of March to first day of May, two months, fifty seven dollars & twelve cents, amounting in the whole five thousand seven hundred sixty nine dollars, and sixty two cents. The above to be in full of all damages and demands on receiving from the said owners a good & sufficient deed of the premises to the City.

Read and accepted.

2 The committee on the notice of 146.

a committee of the first Baptist Church, respecting their lands, First Baptist made a report, which was read, and recommended to the Chp. former committee, with full powers to make such agreement with the owners of said land, with respect to widening E. street, as may be by them deemed expedient.

The committee appointed to Ward room carry into effect the orders of the City Council, for the Ward N. O. establishment of a ward room, for the use of the inhabitants of Ward N. O. in the lower story of the Beyston school house, and appropriating two hundred dollars, for that purpose. Report that they have executed the duty assigned to them, that the room has been established agreeably to the plan herewith submitted, and that the expense has been within the appropriation. Read & accepted.

A letter was received from Orator James L. Austin, Esquire, accepting the appointment of orator 4th July on the anniversary of American Independence in July next.

Adjourned to Friday next, seven o'clock p. m.

117.

At a meeting of the board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Friday the first
day of May, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Foster
Representatives

Petition of William Foster, & others,
praying that the City Council would determine that the
City send its full number of Representatives to the next
General Court to which they are entitled by the Constitution.
Read and sent down.

Kuhn
Council

Remonstrance of Jacob Kuhn, & others
against the petitions of sundry Inhabitants praying that the
Cows be excluded from running at large on the Common
Road and committed to the Committee on the Common,
Malls &c. to consider and report.

Public Lands
Sale of

The committee on the sale of public
Lands have entered upon a consideration of the important subject
of their commission, and of the instructions given to them by the
City Council with an earnest desire to fulfil their duty with
all dispatch which their nature admits, but have not yet
digested and matured a plan embracing the principles and
details that may be found proper and commensurate with
the object. Various objects and proposals have been made
by Individuals for erecting streets through portions of the
City.

City lands in the southern section to the Roxbury line, 1148.
which present views requiring much consideration. Public lands
Meanwhile it appears to the committee that certain separate
lots and pieces of land may be sold to as much advantage
at the present as any future period. Circumstances
justify a belief that advantage would result to the City
by authorizing this or some other committee or commissioners
to exercise a discretion in selling these pieces of
land, or some of them at private sale, and they there-
fore report the following order - viz:

Ordered, that the committee on the sale
of public lands be authorized to sell either at public or private
sale, upon such terms and conditions, and for such prices as they
may deem proper the following described pieces of land, or any
of them, or any part of any of them, and upon the completion
of such sales, to enter into and execute deeds to be
given to the purchasers, which the Mayor is hereby empowered
to execute in behalf of the City. 1. Land on Thacher street
containing 3706 square feet. 2. Lot of land on Merrimac
street, marked A, on the plan number 2 of Mill pond
lands containing 5928 square feet. 3. Lot of land on Mer-
rimac street and South Margin street, being lot F, on a plan
No. 2, above mentioned, estimated to contain 12000 square feet.
4. Another lot on said Merrimac street, marked H, on
said plan, and contains 2064 square feet. 5. A part of
a piece of land on said Merrimac street, being what remains
unsold of a lot marked B on said plan, and contains by
estimation

149. estimation 1800 square feet - 6. A small piece of land back of the Gun house on North Margin street, which it is estimated there may be sold, without interfering with the Gun-house, about 1100 square feet.

H. G. Otis, per order:
(Read and accepted). Sent down for concurrence.
Came up concurred.

Messager

A messenger was received in writing from the Common Council, that they are ready to join a convention to determine the number of Representatives that it may be necessary for this City to send to the next General Court. Read and thereupon ordered, that a messenger be sent to the Common Council, to inform them, that this board are ready to join a convention forthwith, for the purpose aforesaid.

In Convention

Attestation

Common Council

Agreeably to assignment, a convention of the City Council was held in the chamber of the Common Council for the purpose of determining the number of Representatives it may be expedient to send to the next General Court.

The question being taken it was determined that the number should be fifty-five. The business of the Convention being accomplished the two branches separated.

Warrants for

the meeting of the citizens in their several wards on Monday

Ordered, that warrants be issued for the meeting of the citizens in their several wards on Monday

the eleventh instant, at eleven o'clock A.M. for the 150.
choice of Representatives. The Poll to be kept open
until three o'clock P.M.

Ordered, that public notice be May street
given to all persons who are owners or otherwise interested level
in the estates on May street, to appear before this board,
on Wednesday, next, five o'clock P.M. and show cause
if any they have, why the level of said street should
not be reduced so as to render the same convenient for
travelling; at which time the subject will be considered.

Petition of John D. Williams, Pres Boylston Market
ident of the Boylston Market association, praying that some London
measures may be adopted to preserve order and regularity
in and about said Market, in respect to Lobster bar
rows. Read and committed to Aldermen Hall, and
Lewis, to consider and report.

Adjourned to Wednesday, next, half past four
o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Wednesday, the sixth day of May, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen.

Treasurer's
accounts

Ordered, that Aldermen Wall & Armstrong, with such as the Common Council may join, be a committee to examine the accounts of Wm. M. H. Esq. City and County Treasurer, for the past municipal year. Sent down for concurrence. Came up, concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part Messrs Abbot, Perin and Cunningham.

Hooper

The committee on the application of Susan C. Hooper, praying that the amount of an account against the City, due her late husband, be allowed and paid her, Report, that from a view of all the facts in the premises and from a consideration of the peculiar circumstances of the case, which are not to be considered as furnishing a precedent, the said account, amounting to two hundred seventy one dollars, seventeen cents, be allowed by the board of Aldermen, and that the enclosed bond be accepted as satisfactory, and that the aforesaid sum be paid out of any money not otherwise appropriated in the City Treasury. All which is respectfully submitted, in behalf of the committee.

Henry J. Oliver.

Read & accepted.

Ordered, that the following persons be 152.

and hereby are appointed surveyors of boards and other lumber. Lumber saw.
Mr: William Clouster, Nathaniel Bradlee, Noah Duggell, William
Green, Richard Mayner, Henry Blake, Samuel Ellwood, George
Momer, Moses Eayes, Kolim Hartshorn, Thomas Barry, Peter
Loing, Samuel Waldron, Seth Chaator, Josiah Blackell, William
Ames, Warren Bowker, Eliakim Richards, Amasa S. Smith,
Jonathan Loing, William Mills, Oliver Mills, Edmund
Parsons, William Tisk and David Gurney.

Also, that Nathaniel Bradlee, Horanus Fence viewers
Emerson, Abel Hewins, and Kolim Hartshorn, be and hereby
are appointed fence viewers.

Also, that Benjamin Clark, Nathaniel Fish cullers
Hower, Benjamin Lucks, and Charles L. Pook, be and hereby
are appointed cullers of fish.

Also, that James Brown, Benjamin Hoops & Staves
Clark, Nathaniel Hower, and Charles Pook, be and hereby
are appointed cullers of hoops and staves.

Also, that Francis James, and Samuel Line inspectors
Sprague, be and hereby are appointed inspectors of lines.

Also, that John Wells and Lewis T. Spay masters
Lauriat, be and hereby are appointed Spay masters.

Also, that Samuel Emmons, & Benjamin Hemp saw.
Rich be and hereby are appointed sawyers of hemlock.

Also, that James Kenwood, William Hogreaves &
Andrews, and Bement Ford, be and hereby are appointed
Hogreaves, haywards and field drivers.

Also

Also, that Samuel Phillips and
 Samuel Keegan William Andrews be hereby appointed Board keepers.
 Sent down for concurrence.
 Lanes up concurred.

City Marshal

The committee appointed to enquire
 into the expediency of repealing or amending an ordinance an-
 nouncing the election and prescribing the duties of City Marshal,
 have attended that service, and enquired into the mode in
 which those duties are discharged. The complaint of particular
 defect in the law has been made to them, nor are they able
 to discover any culpable deficiency in the officer charged with
 its execution. They therefore report the following order.

Ordered, that it is not at present expedient to repeal
 or amend the ordinance authorizing the election prescribing
 the duties of City Marshal. M. G. Otis, per order.

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Lanes up concurred.

Voters

Ordered, that notice be given in the
 public newspapers, that the Mayor & Aldermen will attend at
 their room some day, including Saturday next, for the purpose
 of receiving the evidence of the qualifications of legal voters whose
 names have not been entered on our lists.

Auctioneer

Joseph N. Boardman licensed as an
 Auctioneer, Doane Street.

Petition of Isaac Samuel, pray 154.

ing to be remunerated for damage in taking his land, and Samuel cutting off his building for the purpose of widening Mason St. Read and committed to Aldermen Hall and Lewis, to consider and report.

The committee, to whom was referred Williams the petition of Robert Williams, and others, praying, that Wendell St. Wendell street extending from Oliver to Hamilton street, might be paved, ask leave to report, that said street is in a very bad condition, and that the same ought to be paved, without delay, provided however, that the abutters on said street, when the paving is commenced, do agree to alter and relay their side walks at their own expense, agreeable to the level or graduation recently made in said street, by S. P. Fuller, Esq. or that said abutters, engage themselves in writing to the Corporation of the Mayor to pay to the City, the expense of making such alterations in said side walks as may be found necessary. The committee further recommended, that the name of said street be placed at each end thereof.

For the committee. Tho^s Kendall.

Read and accepted.

Petition of Edward Covert, praying, that Covert, he may have leave to take up Portland street, in the purpose of taking a suction from a well owned by Henry Farnam. Read and committed to Aldermen Kendall & Russell, to consider & report.

Whereas an order has been issued by

Doane
street

the Supreme Judicial Court, calling on this board to show cause why the order passed this board, for widening Doane street, should not be quashed; and the question on such motion being still pending in the said Court— Therefore, ordered, that the owners of the buildings in said Doane street, be notified that a further time viz: until the first day of Feb. next, be allowed for the removal thereof, and that the board will on that day proceed to remove the same unless removed by the owners prior to that time.

Hanover
street

It appearing to this board, that notice

3 This should follow the following report on the petition of John Gray, others on next page.

has been given to all persons interested in the estate hereinafter described viz: John R. Adan, Esq. Guardian of a minor, heir of Thomas A. Boardman, deceased. And also Reuben Richards, Junior who is reputed to be an agent, and interested in said estate— And now the said Adan appears and objects to the widening of Hanover street by taking a part of his wards land, for that purpose and after a full hearing and mature deliberation being thereon had, it is thereupon resolved, that the public safety and convenience require, that said Hanover street be widened, and the same is hereby laid out and widened in manner following viz: Beginning at a point on the easterly corner of land belonging to John Gray, thence running northeasterly by a line in continuation of the front of said Gray's building, thirty six feet two inches, more or less to Northland street, then southeasterly on said Northland street, seven feet, seven inches to said

Hanover

Hanover street, then running southwesterly by the present line of 156.
said Hanover street, thirty six feet two inches; then northwesterly
seven feet, seven inches to the place of beginning, taking from the
estate formerly of Thomas S. Boardman now belonging to his heirs,
two hundred seventy five square feet of land as marked on a
plan taken by S. P. Fuller, dated March 1. 1826.

Ordered, that notice be given to the persons
interested, that the Mayor and Aldermen will proceed to take
down so much of the building which stands on the land so
taken to widen said Hanover street, on the first day of September
next, unless the same be removed before that time by the owners
thereof. And that the board will take order for repairing
the damage done to said building in the execution of this order,
and replace any wall that may be taken down for that pur-
pose, it should be the wish of the parties interested.

The committee to whom was referred Gray, Deal,
the memorial of John Gray, Esq. and the petition of Samuel
Beale and others, have considered the same and do now
respectfully report. That they are of opinion, that the
statements contained in said Gray's memorial are substantially
correct, and that the public safety and convenience require,
that the board should proceed with all convenient dispatch
to widen Hanover street, by taking a part of the estate of the
late ~~William~~ Thomas S. Boardman deceased, bounded on Hanover
street, beginning at said Gray's store and running to Portland
street, according to a plan taken by Stephen P. Fuller, Esq. and
deposited

183 This report should
have been recorded before
the order widening
Hanover street, on the
preceding page.

157. deposited with the City records; the land necessary to be taken for this object is seven feet seven inches by thirty six feet two inches making in all two hundred twenty two and a half square feet. Your committee further recommends, that there be allowed and paid to the owner or legal representation of said estate, at the rate of two dollars a foot for the land which may be taken as aforesaid, which will amount to five hundred forty six dollars, and also, that a further sum of four hundred eighty nine dollars and fifty eight cents should be allowed and paid to the owner of said estate in consideration of damages which may be done to the building by reason of said improvement. The cost for taking down & rebuilding the front of said house, will be four hundred dollars as will appear by the estimate herewith annexed. The latter sum of four hundred dollars added to the cost of the land to be taken, and the amount allowed for damages done to the building will show the probable cost to the City for the improvement to be four hundred thirty six dollars and fifty eight cents. Res. order of the committee. Wm. S. Kendall.

Read and accepted.

Child
Council Hall
Green
Hall
evening, next, for the purpose of holding a caucus. And that Charles G. Green and others have the use of the Hall over the Parker house, on the same evening for the like purpose.

The committee of the City Council 158.

to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Coolidge, and others, Coolidge, inhabitants and proprietors of estates in the westerly part of the City, praying that a fire engine should be provided and kept in some convenient place in that part of the City.

Report, That they find all that part of the City lying westerly of a line drawn from Beacon street through Hancock, Lincoln & Leverett streets, comprehending a populous and valuable portion of the City is without one fire engine and is consequently more exposed to loss and damage by fire than any other part of the City of equal extent. Your committee do not hesitate to express their opinion that the safety of the public requires that an engine with a suction power and suitable apparatus should be provided and located in some convenient place within that section of the City, as soon as it is practicable so to do. They therefore respectfully recommend that a sum not exceeding twenty five hundred dollars should be taken from the reserved fund or from such other appropriation as in the opinion of the committee of finance can best sustain it, to be applied under the direction of the Mayor and Aldermen to the purchase of an engine of the foregoing description, and to the building of a suitable house for the same.

John S. Loring, for the committee.

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

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The committee to whom was referred the petition of the Directors of the house of Industry requesting provision to be made to enable them to lay a sea wall on the premises, and also for an Insane Hospital, beg leave respectfully to state, That they have heard the memorialists and have repaired in person to the premises, for the purpose of actually examining and inspecting the condition of the land & buildings. The facts stated in the petition are correct. The house appears to have been located with a view to the removal of the gravel from its rear. This to a certain extent became indispensable as the elevation of the back ground above the lower story of the building, exposed it to be deluged by the rains, and therefore incommoded. It was manifestly the most cheap and proper disposal of this gravel to remove it to the beach contiguous to the bank from which it was taken. It seems to be no less the dictate of a prudent and economical system, to preserve it from being washed away, when once placed on the beach by a sea wall. The inmates of the house are usefully employed in this operation, and the quantity of land above tide water is increased; such wall is indispensable to its preservation, and facilitates the landing of articles required for the institution, and will form a useful and ornamental barrier to the lands there belonging to the City. It is however not absolutely necessary that this work should be entirely prosecuted to a great extent but better that it should proceed gradually with a view principally to preserve the gravel as it may be from time to time deposited on the beach, and to form an abutment

for the wharf belonging to the establishment. This wharf requires to be extended into deeper water. Great inconvenience is experienced for want of it. Wood and lumber and other articles brought to the establishment in boats and lighters must frequently be thrown into the water or shifted into another boat, in order to be landed, thus occasioning an annual loss and expense, much exceeding the interest on any reasonable sum that would be required for the extension of the wharf. These two operations, building the wall, and extending the wharf, might be so combined as to be subservient to each other, and a moderate sum for these purposes may be applied with great advantage.

In respect to the establishment of a Hospital for the insane, the committee are also of opinion that such a provision is loudly demanded by every consideration of humanity, and if the funds or resources of the City would permit, ought forthwith to be commenced. That a great and populous City, should be destitute of an asylum for the insane poor - That the innocent, sick and suffering children of misfortune and poverty should be mingled promiscuously with lunatics and maniacs, or placed under the same roof, and in sight or hearing of their ravings & actions, is a cruel aggravation of their unhappy lot. And it is affecting to know that the best provision that it is competent to the Directors of this establishment to make for a part of these wretched fellow creatures, is in damp and dismal cells, in which the prospect of convalescence, and the hope of comfort are equally remote. - These observations are made, not as preliminary to a recommendation of an immediate appropriation of monies for the purpose.

Not purpose of such establishment, but as expressive of the sense of the committee of the importance of such an establishment, and of keeping in sight the expediency of making it, whenever the means can be commanded without imposing burthens upon the public disproportionate to its object. They therefore report the following order.

Ordered, that the sum of one thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, towards the erection of a sea wall, and the extension of the wharf, at the house of Indewhy; and that the same amount be withdrawn from the appropriation for a Reserved fund.

M. G. Otis, per order.

Read and accepted, and the order passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Lewis.

The committee on the petition of Winslow Lewis in relation to keeping open a track near Northampton street or to purchase a piece of land to enable him to keep said track open, made a report, which was read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. The Common Council passed an order to recommend this subject. Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

Tidd.

Petition of Dudley Tidd that he may be permitted to take house offals from sundry inhabitants. Read & committed to the Mayor to consider and report.

Notice having been given, for all M2.

persons interested, to appear at this time and show cause, if any Bartlett
they have, why Bartlett street should not be repaved, and the street.
abutters be required to lay their side walks according to law.
And now the New North Religious Society, Henry Gurney and
others, file their remonstrances against laying side walks in
said street. Which being read, and a full hearing of the parties
it is thereupon ordered, that said street be repaved, upon
condition that the abutters come to some agreement to lay
their side walks.

On the petition of F. H. Lawrence, Lawrence
Frederick Fitch, and others. Ordered, that the street running Cornhill
from Court street, to Washington street, now called Market
street, be hereafter known and called by the name of
Cornhill.

The committee to whom was referred Redman
the communication of John Redman, requesting to be remunerated Washington St.
for the land taken, by the City, from his estate in Wash-
ington street. Report, that by a resolve of the Mayor & Alder-
men, passed May 19. 1828, there was taken from said Redman's
estate, situated on the easterly side of Washington street; ninety
five and a half, square feet of land, to widen said street, &
it also appears, that said Redman did agree, with the com-
mittee of the district wherein said estate is situated, by a
communication herewith transmitted dated July 9. 1828, to
receive for the land thus taken, "one half the amount which
said land might be appraised at, provided the City would
cut

163. cut off the adjoining estates on a line with M^r. Evers' buildings within a reasonable time: in accordance with the above stipulation, the Mayor and Aldermen did proceed to cut off the estates adjoining said Redman's lot, which was accomplished in about six days from the date of said Redman's proposition. Your committee find that the average price paid by the City for the land taken from the estates adjoining said Redman's land, was two dollars, twenty five cents and eight mills a square foot. The committee therefore recommend, that there be allowed and paid to said Redman, by the City, at the rate of one dollar, twelve cents, and nine mills for each and every square foot of land so taken from his estate, making the sum of one hundred, seven dollars, eighty two cents, in full compensation for the land taken from him as aforesaid. Your committee also recommend, that the further sum of ten dollars and seventy five cents, be allowed and paid said Redman, for him in the side walk, front of his building in Washington Street, being the same land taken from him by virtue of the resolve aforesaid. Respectfully submitted, W^m. Kendall to order of Council.
Read and accepted.

Appleton	William Appleton gives notice that he
Liberty Sq. Wat.	is about building on Liberty square and Water street. Read
and	and committed to Aldermen Kendall and Russell to consider
	and report.

Adjourned to Wednesday next, half past 4 o'clock, P.M.

A special meeting of the Mth.
Board of Aldermen, of the City of Boston, on Tuesday the
twelfth day of May, Anno Domini, 1820.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

The returns of votes from the Representatives.
several wards, given in, on the 11th instant, for fifty five
Representatives, to represent the City, in the next General Court,
that being the number agreed upon by the City Council.

Ordered, that Aldermen Irving and Russell, be a committee
to examine the returns and report, who are chosen.

Said-committee reported, that they found the whole number
of votes to be, three thousand and sixty 3060.

Necessary for a choice 1531.

That there appears to be fifty gentlemen, who have received
a majority of votes, and that there are five vacancies.

The particulars of votes are recorded in the book kept for
that purpose. The following gentlemen had a majority of votes
and were duly elected, viz: Cyrus Alger, Andrew T. Allen,
Samuel Appleton, Samuel Aspinwall, Samuel Austin, Junior,
Levi Bartlett, Daniel Baxter, Junior, George Blake, W^m W. Blake,
Adam Bent, James Bowdoin, David S. Child, David W. Child,
Daniel Denny, Joseph H. Dorr, Ezra Ayer, Joseph Everett,
Olis Everett, Henry Sarnam, William Foster, John E. Gray,
Lincoln P. Grosvenor, Prentiss Hobbs, Francis Jackson, Tho^s Kendall,
Samuel Kimball, Seth Knowles, W^m Lawrence, Winston Lewis,
Herman

165. Herman Lincoln, John Lowell, Junior, Thomas Melville, James L. Merrill, Thomas Minns, George Morey, Junior, Henry A. Oliver, Isaac Parker (Ward 5), Honor Thomas, Benjamin T. Pickman, John S. Rice, Benjamin Russell, Samuel Shaw, Robert E. Shaw, William Sturgis, Israel Thordike, Junior, Thomas W. Ward, Nathaniel S. Williams, Simon Wilkinson, John D. Williams and Edmund Wright, Junior.

The return was made out, and signed according to law.

Ordered, that the City Clerk issue notices to the several gentlemen elected, to be delivered by a constable according to law.

Common Council

member rec.

(A message was received from the Town Council, announcing that a vacancy exists in the delegation from Ward No. 7, occasioned by the death of George Washington Adams, Esquire, and requesting this board to adopt such measures for filling the same as it might deem necessary.

Warrants for

Ward meetings.

Ordered, that warrants be issued for meetings of the inhabitants in their several wards, on Saturday next 12 o'clock M. for the election of five additional Representatives, to complete the number agreed upon by the City Council. And also that there be inserted in the warrant for the meeting of ward No. 7, "to elect a member of the Common Council in place of George W. Adams, Esq. deceased." The polls to be kept open until 3 o'clock P.M.

(Adjourned to half past four o'clock, P.M.)

A meeting of the board Me.
of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Wednesday, the thirteenth
day of May, - Anno Domini, 1820.

Present -

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

The board proceeded to elect by Auditor of acc^{ts}
ballot on its part, an Auditor of accounts, for the year ensu chosen.
ing. The votes being taken it appeared that William Fayden,
Junior, was unanimously chosen in concurrence with the Com-
mon Council.

Order of Common Council ap- Mer. Wharf Corp^s
pointing Messrs Lane, Ellis and Wells, with such as the board Bridges over,
of Aldermen might join, a committee with authority to agree wth Creek.
the Mercantile Wharf Corporation, on the basis sum that is to be
allowed by said Corporation out of the first payment due from
the City to said Corporation. Came up for concurrence. Read
and concurred, and Aldermen Loring & Armstrong are joined.

It appearing to this board, that Curtis
notice has been given to Elizabeth Curtis, to appear & show non compos mentis
cause why she should not be declared non compos mentis, &
incapable of taking care of herself. And it appearing that S^r
Elizabeth is insane, and now resides in Netherell under the care
of Doctor Lutter, and after the examination of a witness under
oath, the board are of opinion, that S^r Elizabeth is non compos
mentis, and incapable of taking care of herself, & that the same
be

M^r. be certified to the Judge of Probate, in order that a guardian be appointed according to law.

Mayor's message
Flats.

Mayor's message.

To the City Council.

Gentlemen: It has been represented to me, from sources of information entitled to attention that the care of the City government would be well bestowed in timely endeavours to guard against the causes which are slowly, but certainly operating injavounable effects upon the navigable waters of the inner harbour. It is believed that the part of the channel extending from the Long wharf, or the wharves, southward to the new bridge at South Boston, is gradually becoming more shallow, from various causes. Vessels lying at the wharves comprised in that space are greatly exposed and endangered by easterly and northeasterly ~~winds~~ storms, and it is stated that there is no position in that quarter, which can safely be occupied by steam boats owing to the peculiarity of their construction but that the same are constantly exposed to imminent danger at their moorings. There is also reason to justify the expectation that if a sufficient portion of the flats lying on the channel toward the mouth of individual streams were the property of the City, improvements might be made upon them, by means of breakwaters or island wharves, that would afford effectual protection to the wharves, and harbour in that quarter, and obviate the increasing shallowness of the channel. Such improvements might in all probability be made without expense to the City, and profitable

on contracts that would afford some ultimate revenue. These flats, it is manifest, are not and can never become of value to the Commonwealth, except indirectly as they may be subservient to the safeguard and navigation of the harbour. And it cannot be doubted that upon suitable application on behalf of the City to the Legislature, a cession might be obtained of the flats abovementioned, and which being in possession of the City, might under their direction and authority be converted to the public benefit. It would seem also the more proper and necessary that these flats should become the property of the City, inasmuch as memorials are frequently presented to the Legislature for private grants and immunities, by the proprietors of wharves and estates lying in that neighbourhood (and others may be anticipated) of the reasonableness or injurious tendency of which, as well as of the limitations and regulations to which if granted, they ought to be subjected to the City government would perhaps the most convenient means of deciding; the premises being constantly under their observation. I therefore respectfully suggest to your consideration, the appointment of a committee, with full powers, to apply to and endeavor to obtain from the Legislature a grant of the premises or of a portion thereof, sufficient for the purposes above expressed, and of requesting the Senators of the County, and the Representatives of the City to aid in the furtherance of this object. M. G. Otis

Read and committed in Common Council to Messrs. Everett Williams & Townsend, with such as the board of Aldermen might join to consider Report. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred. Messrs. Allen & Gallop Lewis are joined.

Meq.

The committee on the application

Boylston Market of the Boylston Market association for the regulating and licensing
Lobsters the sale of Lobsters about that Market. Report, That to pre-
serve order and cleanliness in the streets adjacent to the Boylston
Market, it will be expedient to license a certain number of
barrows in a manner similar to the practice now in force at
the City Market, the committee therefore recommend the adoption
of the following order. (Ordered) that from and after the
passing of this order, the Clerk of the Boylston Market be
authorized to assign places and to allow the sale of Lobsters from
a number of barrows not exceeding four, at such stands as may
be convenient to the said Market, upon condition that the
vendors shall pay one dollar per week, for each barrow during
the present season, and keep their stands clear of other and
offals; and that the said Clerk be allowed ten per cent. of
the money so collected, and paid over to the City Auditor,
as a compensation for his attention to the carrying into effect
this order. Respectfully submitted, James Hall, for the com.

Read and accepted.

Bemis

Petition of Charles Bemis, and others,
praying, that the common sewer leading from Washington Street
to Front Street, between the land of Benjamin Goddard & Isaac
Bemis may be repaired, and continued in order, that there may
be, an out let for the water to pass through Front
Street. Read and committed to Aldermen Hall and
Lewis, to consider and report.

The committee to whom was referred No.

forwarded the notice of William Appleton, of his intention of building a structure on Liberty square, and Water street. To wit, that said Appleton Liberty square may erect his store or stores, as follows (viz): Northerly on Water Water street street, beginning at the northward corner of the brick store adjoining the easterly bounds of his lot, and from thence running in a straight line with said store until it comes to Liberty square, then turning and running southeasterly on the east line of said square to Court alley, so called, then turning running easterly on said alley, until it comes to the southwesterly corner of John Wheelwright's store facing said alley not less than ten feet wide, measuring from the points of the corners of the buildings next south of said alley, marked A on the plan, and agreed by the 'fifty proprietors' agreeably to a plan drawn by Stephen T. Fuller, herewith presented.

By order of the Committee. J. H. S. Kendall.

Read and accepted.

The committee to whom was referred Nichols read the notice of Crashing Nichols, of his intention to build a structure on Green street, and to report, that in the summer of 1825, the board of Aldermen, for the time being, did cause a plan to be taken of said street, with a view to the widening thereof, and that said board did determine to widen the same, on both sides, as will appear by reference to the plan drawn by Stephen T. Fuller, Esq. dated August 1st 1825, upon committee fully believe that the widening

ing proposed, and partly effected: on the west side of said street, was and is called for, from a consideration of the public safety and convenience, by the contemplated improvement on the east side, your committee entertain some doubts, but considering what has already been done in the premises, your committee are of opinion, that it is expedient to take a strip of land from the estate of said Nichols, fifty feet, six inches in length and two feet four inches in breadth at the south part of said lot, and two feet three inches in breadth on each side, making in all about one hundred and eighteen square feet of land, as marked on the plan aforesaid. The committee further recommend, that there be allowed and paid to said Nichols at the rate of one dollar and fifty cents, for each and every square foot of land, which may be taken, amounting to the sum of one hundred, seventy seven dollars, in full compensation for the same and also for any other damages (if any) done to the estate of said Nichols.

By order of the committee. Th^s Kendall.

Read and accepted.

Green
street.

It having been made to appear, that all persons interested in the widening of Green street, have been duly notified to appear and object to the same if they see cause, and no person appearing to object, after mature advisement thereon. Resolved, that the public safety and convenience require, that Green street be widened, & the same is hereby laid out and widened in manner following

Now measuring on Gook street, two feet, three inches, then N.D.
running easterly fifty feet six inches; measuring on the southerly
side two feet four inches to Green street, and measuring on the
present line of Green street, fifty feet, six inches, taking one
hundred and eighteen square feet of land from the estate of
Cushing Nichols, as marked on a plan taken by A. J. Fuller,
dated August 1st 1825, making said Green street thirty four
feet, three inches wide opposite the southeasterly side of
said Nichols's land; and thirty five feet, opposite the cor
ner of Gook street.

It having been made to appear, that Hanover
all persons interested in the widening of Hanover street,
duly notified to appear and object to the same, if they see fit,
and no person appearing to object, except John Cron, Esq. and
after a full hearing, and mature deliberation being thereon had
it is thereupon resolved, that the public safety & convenience
require, that Hanover street be widened; and the same is hereby
laid out and widened in manner following N.D. Beginning at
the southerly corner of the First Baptist meeting house and
running southeasterly in a line in continuation of the southeasterly
side of said meeting house about twenty feet three inches,
then turning and running southeasterly six feet two inches, more
or less, to the present line of Hanover street, then running north
easterly twenty feet, three inches, to the line of Hanover street
then running northeasterly six feet two inches more or less, to
the place of beginning, taking one hundred and twenty five
square

143 square feet of land from the state grounds of Boston
now in the possession of John Gray, as marked on a plan
taken by J. P. Fuller, dated March 1. 1826.

Hall
Petition of Jacob Hall, and others
Praying that North Main Street may be continued this
to Millman Street. Read and thereupon resolved, that the
whole board will meet on the premises tomorrow morning
nine o'clock.

Boston Mill Co.
Petition of the Boston Mill Company
Praying for leave to dig a well and reservoir in Court Street,
opposite Haden's Lane, for supplying the water by suction to
the lands on the Mill Pond. Read and committed to
Aldermen Kendall and Russell, to consider & report.

Torrey
Petition of John G. Torrey, & others
Praying that Dock Square may be widened by taking a
part of the store and land of Ebenezer Torrey, for that
purpose. Read and committed to Aldermen Kendall and
Russell, to consider and report.

Greenough
Petition of David Greenough
and others, Praying, that Dock Square may be here-
after be known and called by the name of Wash-
ington Square. Read and committed to Aldermen Ken-
dall and Russell, to consider and report.

Petition of John Welch, Father, N.H.

Arriving, that a common sewer be laid in Southack Street, Welch
Read and thereupon ordered, that public notice be given Southack St.
to all persons interested, to appear before this board, on
Wednesday, next, five o'clock, P. M. and show cause, if
any they have, why the prayer thereof should not be
granted, and the owners of estates who shall be benefitted
thereby opened, according to law.

The committee on the petition Coverly
of E. Coverly, for leave to lay a suction across Portland, that Portland
reported, that the request be granted on condition, that
the suction pipes be of metal, and laid under the direc-
tion of the Superintendent of streets.

Read and accepted.

Ordered, that the Cows be per- Cows
mitted to go at large upon the Common upon the same
terms and conditions as they were permitted the last year,
viz. that each cow have a strap with the name of the
owner thereon, and that there be paid for each cow, five
dollars; and it is further ordered, that the petitioners against
the cows going on the Common have leave to withdraw their
petition.

(Application of Van Landersbecker for a Van Landersbecker
license to give three concerts at the Exchange to the house, Read & granted. Concerts

Adjourned to Wednesday next, four o'clock, P. M.

175.

At a special meeting of the
Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday the
eighteenth day of May, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, Aldermen, Oliver, Kendall, Armstrong,
and Wells.

Representatives

chosen

The board proceeded to examine
the returns of votes from the several wards given in on
the 11th instant, for five Representatives to complete the
number agreed upon by the City Council, and then sum
the whole number of votes to be 1661.

Necessary for a choice, 831.

And that Mess^{rs} William P. Mason, John P. Bigelow,
^{William L. Otis} Benjamin Briggs, and Thomas W. Phillips had a majority
of votes and were duly elected. The return was made out
and signed, and notices to the persons chosen, ordered, to be
made out and delivered by a Constable, according to
Law.

Adjourned to Wednesday next join in Clock.
W. M.

At a meeting of the board of 176.

Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Wednesday the twentieth day of May. Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Agreeably to apignment, the board N. of Industry proceeded to elect by ballot, on its part, nine directors of the Dir. chosen House of Industry, the votes being taken, it appeared, that the following Gentlemen were chosen in concurrence with the Common Council, viz: Richards Child, Benjamin V. French, Moses Wheeler, Benjamin Willis, Moses Grant, Joseph Lewis, Samuel Snelling, Jr. Daniel Safford, & Aaron P. Cleveland.

The board proceeded by ballot, to burial grounds & cemeteries, and elect on its part, a superintendent of burial grounds & cemeteries, and the votes being taken, it appeared, that Samuel Hill, Meves was unanimously chosen. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Samuel Peals and James Hendler, sealers weights & measures were nominated and appointed, sealers of weights and measures.

Caleb Hayward was nominated & Clerk of Market. appointed Clerk of Faneuil Hall Market.

177.

Oil

Ordered, that the City Clerk

cause to be published in the newspapers, that proposals will be received until the tenth day of June next, for supplying the City with oil viz: from five to six thousand gallons of Summer spermaceti, and from four to five thousand gallons of winter mixed spermaceti, to be delivered to the lamp lighters monthly in such quantities for lighting the street lamps of the City, as may be required.

Treasurer's

accounts.

The committee appointed by the City

Council to examine and audit the accounts of the City Comptroller, have attended to that duty, and find that they are correctly stated, and properly vouched; and there has been received on account of the City, four hundred and ninety thousand, nine hundred and fifty two dollars, and seventy two cents, and that there has been paid on the same account four hundred and sixty seven thousand and forty six dollars, leaving a balance in favor of the City of twenty three thousand nine hundred and six dollars, seventy two cents, that there has been received on account of the County, twenty three thousand and ten dollars, eighty one cents, and there has been paid on the same account forty two thousand, three hundred, eighty six dollars, ninety two cents, leaving a balance against the County of nineteen thousand, three hundred, seventy six dollars, eleven cents, leaving a final balance in the Treasury of four thousand, five hundred and thirty dollars, sixty one cents, on the thirtieth day of April last, of which was debited to the credit of William Mackay, City Treasurer

Thirty

Thirty three hundred, sixty five dollars, and twelve cents. 178.

James Hall
Samuel T. Armstrong
Samuel S. Abbot
Payson Perrin
A. Cunningham Junior. } Committee.

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.
Came up concurred.

Petition of a sub committee of the Miram, School's primary school committee; praying, that school rooms may be built by the City, for the accommodation of said schools in different parts of the City. Read and committed to Aldermen Armstrong and Russell, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part, Messrs Gibbons, James and Danforth.

Petition of A. A. Dame, and Dum. Wright William Wright, praying, that the line of Sea street may be designated as they are about building on their lots on the easterly side of said street, near the bridge. Read & committed to Aldermen Hall and Lewis, to consider and report.

Thomas Blasland, gives notice that he is about building on E. street opposite Lincoln street. Read & committed to Aldermen Hall & Lewis, to consider and report.

179.

Petition of Henry Farnam, and others, praying, that, Beacon street, may be continued through Beacon street to Morrissey street. Read and committed to Aldermen Kim and Wells, to consider and report.

Rice

Petition of John Rice, and others, Commercial street, praying, that Commercial street may be extended northward to Lynn street, conformably to the original plan. Read & committed to Aldermen Oliver and Wells, to consider & report.

Torrey

The committee, to whom was referred the petition of John G. Torrey, and fifty others, ask leave to report, that they have made every exertion within their power, in order that they might be prepared to present the subject to the board, under circumstances favorable to the accomplishment of the wishes of said petitioners, and by which also, the safety and convenience of the public might be promoted; but your committee have not been able to accomplish this desirable object. The enclosed communications from Mr. Belknap, by his Attorney W. L. Schier, Esq. and marked A, and also that from Messrs. Reed's marked B contain the principal information, which the committee can offer to the board. They therefore recommend, that the further consideration of the subject be postponed for the present.

By order of the Committee.

Thomas Kendall?

Read and accepted.

Petition of Abraham Howard 180.

Quincy, to hire the engine house on Milk street, jointly, Quincy.
used by the Loutanah engine. Read, and committed to
Aldermen Kendall and Russell, to consider & report.

Petition of Edward Page, and Page.

others, praying, that some measures may be adopted to Mill Creek.
remedy the evil, and prevent the nuisance which is likely
to arise in consequence of stopping up the Mill Creek,
at the easterly end thereof. Read, and committed to Alder-
men Oliver and Wells, to consider and report.

The offer made by the board of Green Dragon
Aldermen to the Proprietors of the Green Dragon estate, & com-
municated to the subscribers, by Aldermen Oliver and Wells,
namely, that they will give said proprietors as many feet
of land at the westerly end of their estate to locate on
Merrimac street for as the City took from them to widen
Union street, together with seven hundred dollars in money,
the land to be located adjoining their estate, and in the
form as shown on Mr. Fuller's plan, the same to be
considered in full of all demands, and as a final settle-
ment between both parties, has been laid before the Agents
of said Proprietors, who have authorized me to say, that
although they do not consider the offer any thing like
a full compensation for the damages and losses they have
sustained still as they prefer settling with the City
amicably.

181. amicably to having a long tedious law suit. They have con-
sented to accept the offer, and directed me to inform you
of their acceptance. Very respectfully, yours obedient, Serv^t

C. Smith
Thomas W. Phillips } Committee.

Read and thereupon ordered, that the committee
on the sale of public lands, be and they are hereby au-
thorized to carry the aforementioned agreement between the
City and the proprietors of the Green Dragon estate into
effect.

Samuel

Mason St.

The committee on the petition of
Isaac Samuel, for remuneration for land and damages to his
estate in taking a part of the same to widen Mason street
reports, that they have consulted a carpenter and mason as
to the repairs of Mr. Samuel in the alteration made to his
house and they have also considered the value of his land
and recommend, that two hundred dollars be paid in full
for the damages, and for the land taken when a deed shall
be executed conveying the land to the City.

James Wall, for the committee.

Read and accepted.

Mr. Hon. Sec.

C^o

Resolution of the committee of arrange-
ments of the ancient and honorable artillery company for
the use of Faneuil Hall, and ante rooms, and a portion of
the Common, to be separated by chains in the usual
manner

manner; for the purpose of celebrating their anniversary on 182.
the first Monday of June next. Read and the prayer thereof
granted.

(Ordered, that the Constables Tents on the
of the City be specially directed to prosecute any person Common
or persons, who shall upon the Common, in the Markets,
or in any of the streets, contiguous thereto, sell any spiritous
liquors, or any mixed liquors part of which is spiritous, or
who shall upon any of said places, play at cards, dice,
or with any implements used in gaming, on the days of
General election, Antislavery election and the fourth day of July.

(Ordered, that before granting per-
missions for the erecting any tent, booth, stall or table, for the
sale of any refreshments in the places mentioned in the foregoing
order, the Constables of this City, be specially directed to give
notice to any and all persons applying for such permission,
of the foregoing order, and that printed notices be distributed
in suitable places, and that the same be published in the
newspapers, that all persons interested may govern themselves
accordingly.

(Ordered, that the Constables have
the care of the tents on the Common, subject to the foregoing
orders.

It appearing to this board, that Welch,
notice has been given on the petition of John Welch and Southack &
others, that a common sewer may be constructed in Southack
street, agreeably to the order passed by this board on Wednesday
last

183. last, and no person appearing to object, it is thereupon ordered, that a common sewer be laid in said street, by the Superintendent of streets, under the direction of the Mayor.

Primary school

Neck lands.

The committee on the petition of Francis Jackson, and others, primary school committee of the 7th district, praying, that the City would erect a school house on some part of the Neck lands, for the use of the primary school of said district. Report, that they have examined the room now occupied by the primary school in the 7th district, and find it to be uncomfortable, inconvenient, noisy, and incapable of being made to answer a good end, nor can any other more suitable room be found in that vicinity. Between fifty & sixty scholars now attend the school, and are increasing in number. The committee find, that fifty dollars, per annum is computed for the rent of primary school rooms, and can be taken from the salary of the teachers quarterly, provided the City furnish rooms. The building a school house, thirty by twenty feet, would cost about four hundred dollars, and the City have land enough to place the house back from the Washington street, and more out of the way of noise. A saving would therefore be made by the City, by erecting such a house, of twenty six dollars annually to make repairs; they therefore recommend the following resolve, viz:

Resolved, that Aldermen Hall and Lewis, be a committee, with power to erect a building for the

the use of the seventh district of the primary school, on 184.
such part of the City's land on the Neck, as they may
think best; provided, such building can be erected for a
sum not exceeding four hundred dollars, and that the a-
mount be taken to pay therefor from the reserved fund.

James Hall, for the committee.

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Q3 Non concurred in Common Council, Jan order passed vide
page 208.

- Whereas, the City is authorized Harves
by the license of John Harves, under his hand and seal, to Engine house
recorded in the Registry of deeds for the County of Suffolk, book 20th Boston.
285, folio 159) to erect a school house on a lot of land,
at South Boston, which he granted to the inhabitants of
Boston, for a public Market place; by deed dated July
26, 1829, as by reference to said deed and license will ap-
pear. - And as the erection of an engine house on part
of said premises would be a useful appurtenance to said
School house, and also to any Market house, which may
hereafter be built thereon. Therefore ordered, that the com-
mittee of the fire department be authorized to extend the
Engine house to be erected in Broadway, at South Boston
on the City's land, about seven feet easterly into the
land granted by said Harves as aforesaid, and thence turn-
ing and running north about forty four feet, for the
sole use and purpose of an Engine and ladder house
as aforesaid.

185.

Resolved, that the public safety
Salem street and convenience requires that Salem street be widened, and
the same is hereby laid out and widened in manner follow-
ing 1827. Beginning at the southerly corner of land belong-
ing to the First Baptist Society and running northward to
the present line of Salem street, thirty eight feet to land
of Seymour, then northwesterly by lane of said Seymour,
eight feet four inches; then southwesterly to other land of
said Society, thirty eight feet to Stillman street, then south-
easterly by said Stillman street, seven feet to the place of begin-
ning, taking two hundred and ninety one ~~foot~~ square feet of
land from said proprietors - according to a plan of the same
taken by said S. P. Fuller, dated April 7. 1827. All persons
interested in the same being first notified.

Propos of T

Dock Co.

Ordered, that the report of the com-
mittee on the subject of agreement between the proprietors of the
Merchants Wharf Corporation and the T wharf, and the City,
in relation to the removal of the Island wharf, and keeping
the dock open, between their respective wharves be committed
to Aldermen Spring, Hall and Armstrong to consider &
report.

Paving

Ordered, that the several com-
mittees of the Districts, furnish at the next meeting of
the Board, estimates of the amount of paving that it is
necessary to be done the present season in their respective
Districts.

Ordered, that the committee 186.

of the District be authorized to determine the width of the Haverhill side walks in Haverhill street, with full power to agree sheet upon the same, with the abuttors.

The committee on the petition Boston Mill Corp. of the Boston Mill Corporation, for leave to sink a well and reservoir in Court street, near Alden's Lane, made a report, which was read and recommitted, and Alderman Armstrong was added to said committee.

The parties interested in the May street, reducing the elevation of May street, were heard before the board, by their respective counsel, viz: Samuel P. Parker, Esquire for the reduction, and James L. Austin, Esq. against the same. And the further consideration thereof was postponed to the next meeting of this board.

The City Solicitor's opinion in Nudd & Moore's relation to Nudd and Moore's land on Lynn street, read Lynn street and committed to Aldermen Oliver and Wells, to consider and report.

Petition of Daniel Rand, & others, Rand that side walks may not be laid in Bullett street, on account of Bartlett & the narrowness of the same. Read Com. to Ald. Oliver & Wells to consider & report.

Adjourned to Wednesday next, 4 o'clock, P. M.

1829

At a meeting of the Board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the twenty fifth
day of May, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor & Aldermen Oliver Wendell, John Armstrong,
Russell and Lewis.

Quincy

Report of the committee on the ap-
plication of Abraham Howard Quincy, that the engine house sit-
uated on Milk street, may be leased to him - Reported that
it would be for the interest of the City to make sale of
said engine house and the land under and appertaining to
the same, as soon as practicable, therefore, your committee
are of opinion, that it is inexpedient to let or lease the
said premises. Read and accepted.

Augusta, Ga.

2 P.M.

Alderman Armstrong made a report
that he had received as Treasurer of the contributions of the
several churches in the City, for the relief of the sufferers by
the late fire in Augusta, Georgia, two thousand two hun-
dred fifty seven dollars and fifty eight cents and he exhibited
therewith a check or draft for that amount from the
United States Bank, on the branch in Savannah, Georgia.
Read and thereupon ordered, that the Mayor, be au-
thorized and requested, to transmit the same, to the
committee appointed by the sufferers, to receive contribu-
tions for their relief, which was accordingly done.

Resolved, that the public safety 188.

and convenience require, that North Margin street, in the North Margin
linch, by laying out the same, from its present termina-
tion, to Millman street, thirty feet wide; provided the same
can be done, with the consent of the abutters, & provided,
also, a sufficient sum for that object in addition to the
sum hereby appropriated can be raised by voluntary sub-
scription, and the sum of seven hundred dollars upon the
said condition is hereby appropriated to that purpose.

Ordered, that public notice be Castle
given, to all persons whose estates are situated on Castle
street, to appear before this board, on Wednesday, the third
day of June next, at four o'clock p.m. to show cause, if
any they have, why the common sewer in said street should
not be further extended, through the flats, and the expense
thereof apportioned upon those whose estates shall be benefited thereby,
according to law.

The auditor of accounts, made his Aud. of acc^t
annual report of the receipts and expenditures of the City of
Boston and County of Suffolk, in the last financial year: recd. Sept. 1888.
And thereupon ordered, that the auditor of accounts do
and he is hereby directed to cause six thousand, five hundred
copies of the annual report of the receipts and expenditures
of the last financial year, and the estimates for the current
year, together with a particular statement of all City property,
to be printed and distributed for the information of all
the

189. The Inhabitants of the City.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Streets - the

The several committees of districts
have made a report of the amount of paving, macadamizing and
other repairs of the several streets lanes alleys and public places in
the City. Read and thereupon ordered, that the superintendent
of streets be authorized and directed to notify the abutters of
the following streets to lay their side walks according to law.
The paving of which streets are ordered to be relaid or re-
laid 17 1/2 - Two near the head of Hancock's wharf, Peter
Court, Margaret, Clarke, Pleasanton, Boylston to Fayette,
Essex Beach, Ludlow, Summer, Exchange, Good, & Bond.

City Marshal

An ordinance in addition to an
ordinance authorizing the election and prescribing the duties of
the City Marshal. Read and passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Page

Mill Creek

The committee to whom the petition
of Edward Page and others, in relation to filling up the
Mill Creek, praying that immediate measures may be
taken to abate a most alarming nuisance which exists in
the whole line of the Mill Creek, which is now filled up,
report that the committee visited the creek on Saturday last
when the tide was out and found that the statements made
by

by the petitioners was but too well substantiated in every particular, and the committee being unwilling to take any responsibility in the premises, as a committee would recommend that the whole board visit the creek tomorrow (Tuesday) at twelve of the clock, noon, for the purposes set forth in the petition. All which is respectfully submitted. H. S. Oliver, per order.

Read, and thereupon ordered, that the whole board meet on the Draw bridge, Ann Street, tomorrow, twelve o'clock at noon.

Petition of Thomas Holland, praying, Holland that Harvard Street, may be continued and run out further Harvard St. over the flats, or have the same cleared of its present incumbrances. Read, and committed to Aldermen Hall & Lewis, to consider and report.

Mr. Isaac Danforth, member of the Common Council, from Ward No. 4, chosen in the place of member qualified. George Washington Adams, Esq. deceased, appeared, attended by Col. Dickman, and the several oaths required by Law were administered to him by the Mayor.

Adjourned to Wednesday, the third day of June next, four o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Wednesday, the third day of June, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Russell.

Samuel,
Mason St.

Petition of Isaac Samuel, praying that a further sum may be granted to him, for land taken, and damage done to his building in widening Mason Street. Read, and thereupon ordered, that the subject be recommended to the former committee, to consider & report.

Macomber
Menagerie of
Animals.

Application of Lebedee Macomber, for a license to exhibit a menagerie of live animals at the Washington gardens, consisting of a Lion, Elephant, Tiger, Leopard, White bear, Ostrich, Hyana &c. Granted on paying therefor five dollars per month, agreeably to the report of the committee.

Treasurer.

A message in writing was received from the Common Council, proposing a convention of the City Council, this evening at eight o'clock, for the purpose of electing a City and County Treasurer.

Read, and thereupon ordered, that a message be transmitted to inform the Common Council, that this board concurs in their proposition to form a
Convention.

Convention of the City Council, at the time & for 192.
the purpose afore-expressed.

Application of John Codman, Codman,
for a license to exhibit a camera Obscura, on the Camera Obscura
Common, the several Holidays, if fair weather. Granted
on paying therefor, one dollar per day.

Orders of the Common Council, Independence.
appointing Messrs. Pitman, Everett and Turner, with
such as the Board of Aldermen might join, a com-
mittee, to consider and report, what measures, if any, it
might be expedient and proper for the City authorities to
take, in regard to the celebration of American Indepen-
dence. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred,
and Aldermen Russell, Oliver and Windall are joined.

Order of the Common Council Surveyor of boards
appointing Aaron Wallis, a surveyor of boards and other Pound keeper
lumber. Also, Nement Ford, Pound keeper, for the
current year. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred.

Order of the Common Council com. Sparrell
mitting the petition of Montip Hobbs, and others, praying, Hobbs.
that William Sparrell, may be appointed as a surveyor
of boards and other lumber to Messrs. Simonds, Gore &
Gould.

193. Could, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider and report. Came up for concurrence Read and concurred, and Aldermen Lewis and Wells are joined.

Jackson.

Petition of Thomas Jackson, for an additional allowance as clerk of the reports, the last year. Read and committed in Common Council to Messrs. Waters, Lane, and Willard, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider and report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Davis and Armstrong are joined.

Wheeler.

Petition of Moses Wheeler, & others, Adams sh. h. praying, that another story may be added to the Adams Ward N^o 10. School house, in Mason street, and that the lower story may be fitted for a ward room, for the accommodation of voters of Ward N^o 10. Read and committed in Common Council to Messrs. Abbot, Willard, and Minns, with such as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider and report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Aldermen Hall and Lewis are joined.

Greenough.

Dock square. Greenough, and others, and the report thereon, to have the name of Dock square changed to Washington square. Reported indefinitely.

Petition of Charles F. Kupper, & 194.

others to have Essex street widened. Read and committed Kupper
to Aldermen Mall and Lewis, to consider and report. Essex st.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of William Wright and A. F. Dume, for leave to erect a bathing house near the Boston Free bridge, ask leave to report, that at most, if not all, the other bridges leading from the City, similar establishments have been for many years allowed, and it is believed much to the accommodation and health of the community: That at the place proposed, such an accommodation would be as useful and convenient as in any other part of the City, and would not in the opinion of the committee be a detriment, but rather a protection to that part of the bridge, where the house is proposed to be placed. The committee suggest that in granting the prayer of the petitioners, it should not be understood that the City are conveying any right or privilege to the use of any part of the Council, which may operate to the inconvenience of either the public or individuals, and that whatever is hereby granted may be revoked at the pleasure of the City government. The following resolves are by the committee suggested for the consideration of the City Council.

1st That permission be granted to William Wright & A. F. Dumer, to erect a bathing house on the westerly side of the Boston Free bridge, under the direction and with the

Wright & Dume
Bathing house

195. The approbation of the standing committee on the said bridge; provided it be so guarded and secured, as that no injury or damage shall arise therefrom to the 2^d Bridge.
2^d That in case such bathing house be erected, there shall be driven at the expense of the proprietors of said house, a row of piles running from the westerly pier of the bridge to the wharf, lying northerly of said pier, to be driven and secured in such manner as shall be directed by the committee on said bridge.

3^d That this license may be revoked at any time at the pleasure of the Mayor and Aldermen.

Respectfully submitted. James Hall, for the committee.

Read and accepted, and the resolves passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mer. Wh. Corp^y

The committee of the City Council, who were appointed and authorized to agree with the Mercantile wharf corporation, on the sum that is to be allowed by said Corporation out of the first payment due from the City to said Corporation, Report, that they have agreed with a committee of said Corporation on the sum of six hundred and seventy nine dollars and fifty cents to be received and deducted from the first payment due from the City to said Corporation, which sum of \$679.50 to be considered by the City, as full compensation for the two bridges agreed to be built over the Mill Creek by the City, and

and paid for by said Corporation, according to an agreement 196.
entered into by the parties, the tenth day of September, 1827.

M. F. Loring, for the committee.

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

In Convention.

Agreeably to apportionment, the two branches of Treasurer
the City Council, met in convention, for the purpose of electing chosen
a City Treasurer, by ballot, and the votes being taken, it
appeared that the whole number was 46.

All of which were for William Mackay, Esquire.

The business of the Convention being accom-
plished, the two boards separated.

The board proceeded by ballot to the Res. Physician,
chose of a Resident Physician at Hospital Island, and the chosen
votes being taken, it appeared, that Jerome T. C. Smith, M.D.
was unanimously chosen. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The board proceeded by ballot to the Consulting
chose of two consulting Physicians, for the current year, and Physicians
the votes being taken, it appeared, that Doctors Thomas Holsk,
John L. Warren, Benjamin Shurtleff, George Hayward, and
Edward Reynolds, Junior, were chosen. Sent down for concurrence.

The Common Council concurred in the above, except the Doctor

Doctor

197. Doctor John Randall instead of Doctor Edward Kimball.
This board concurred with the Common Council vide No. 208.

City Alt. Feb.

Chosen

The board proceeded by ballot to the choice of an attorney and solicitor for the City, for the current year: and the votes being taken, it appeared that Charles F. Curtis Esq. was unanimously chosen. Sent down for concurrence. Mr Curtis having declined a re-election, the Common Council chose John R. Adams Esq. on its part. Came up for concurrence. This board concurred. vide Mar 247. Mr. Pickering chosen. Mr. Adams declined serving.

Lewis

Order of the Common Council re-committing the petition of Winslow Lewis and the report thereon authorizing the sale to him of a certain piece of Neck land to the committee on Neck lands to consider & report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Roberts

Southack St.

Remonstrance of Richard S. Roberts against having the Southack street common sewer enter his drain in George street, or if entered, that he be compensated therefor. Read and committed to Aldermen Loring and Knickerbocker to consider and report.

Whitney

Clinton St.

Petition of Jonathan Whitney that the City would sell him a piece of land on Clinton street in exchange with him. Read & com. to Aldermen Oliver & Wells to consider & report.

Petition of James Washburn & 198.

others, praying, that a common sewer be laid in the westerly Washburn part of Charter street, to lead into the common sewer in Foster (Charter st. street). Read and thereupon ordered, that public notice be given to all persons interested to appear before this board on Wednesday next, four o'clock, P.M. and show cause, if any they have, why said sewer should not be laid, and the expense thereof apportioned upon those whose estates shall be benefited thereby, according to law.

Application of George Hewson, pray Hewson
ing, that he may have permission to assign his lease of a piece of land on the westerly side of Washington street, for the remainder of the term specified in his lease to Charles Senior. Read and committed to Aldermen Mall & Lewis to consider and report.

(Ordered, that John Sullivan, be notified Sullivan
ed, to appear before the Mayor, and show cause, if any he have, why the building which he is now erecting in a street running from Second street, so called, to Ann street, should not be stayed, it being suggested by the committee of the northern district, that said new building projects ten feet beyond the former one.

Petition of Benjamin Weld, for leave Weld
to lay a suction from a well on the estate at the corner of Ballard St. Portland and Sudbury streets, to his establishment for the manufacture

all probable, to this committee, that the regular income ac. 200.
coming from the sources placed by the City Council within City debt
the control of this committee will be adequate to the re-
demption of so large an amount of debt as will become pay-
able within the year. As a considerable portion of the
debt falling due this year must be provided for within
the present month, it becomes necessary that the Council
should provide some means by which the committee may be
enabled to meet it; and there are only two modes suggested
to this committee, which seem to be appropriate to that object.
The one of these modes is, to make new loans for the liquida-
tion of the old debt, and the other to dispose of the bonds
and notes held by the City for that purpose. The committee
are inclined to the opinion, that the latter of these two
courses would be most beneficial to the interests of the City;
inasmuch as it would afford opportunity of making an im-
mediate, and a very considerable reduction of the debt, by the
prompt application of those means, which are pledged to
that object;—and which, if left to their regular course, will
produce the intended effect, but slowly and insensibly.

The portion of the City debt, which becomes payable with-
in this year, bears interest at the rate of five per centum per
annum; and the principal part of the bonds and notes held
by the City, bears the same rate of interest. It is believed,
that a negotiation may be made by which the money may
be raised upon these bonds and notes at par, and as they
are amply secured by mortgages, without committing the
responsibility

201 responsibility of the City. By such an operation the City debt might be considerably reduced, by the application of appropriate funds, and without any loss to the City, and it would be attended with the additional advantage of ridding the City of the inconvenience of receiving interest, on the one hand, and paying it out, on the other.

Under these impressions, the committee take the liberty to submit the annexed orders, for the adoption of the City Council. By direction of the Committee, H. G. Ellis, Chairman.

Ordered, that the Committee on the reduction of the City debt, be, and they are hereby, authorized, at their discretion, to dispose of any note or bond for the payment of money to the City, either by sale of the same, or by transfer to persons, holding certificates of stock issued by the City; the note by which such sale or transfer is agreed to be made, to be signed by all the members of the said committee. Provided, that no such note or bond shall be disposed of, under the face value thereof; and provided further, that all funds accruing from the sale or transfer of any note or bond, under this order, shall be applied to the reduction of the City debt, and to no other purpose whatever.

Ordered, that in case any circumstances shall occur to render it inexpedient, in the opinion of the Committee on the Reduction of the City debt, to make, during the present financial year, any such negotiation as is authorized in the preceding order, the said committee shall

shall be, and they are hereby, authorized, to borrow a 209
sum of money, not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, at a rate
of interest, not exceeding six per centum per annum, and pay-
able at such times, as in the opinion of the said committee
may be most conducive to the interest of the City; provided,
that the amount borrowed under authority of this order shall
be applied to the redemption of other portions of the City
debt, and to no other purpose whatever.

Read and accepted, and the orders passed. Sent
down for concurrence. Came up concurred, with the
following amendment, at the end of the first order,
insert "And, provided, always, that the guarantee of the
City, shall in no case, accompany such sale, & transfer."

Read and concurred.

(Ordered, that the committee of the Bartlett
district be instructed to cause Bartlett street to be paved; streets.
according to the order already passed on that subject, & that
the abutters be notified, that they must respectively pave their
side walks, & in default of doing the same, it will be done by
the City, & the abutters held to refund the expense.

(Ordered, that the abutters on the several Salem Clark
streets following be notified to lay their side walks over ^{Ann} Salem, from Clark ^{Ann} streets.
to the upper ⁶⁰ junction, Clark from Exham Millon's to Ann, round to Bartlett.

Adjourned to Wednesday next, 4 o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen, of the City of Boston, on Wednesday, the tenth day of June, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present—

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Appropriation

Order of the Common Council directing that three thousand, six hundred, eighty eight dollars & twelve cents, be withdrawn from the reserved fund, & appropriated to meet the excess of the expenditures over the income of the City, during the last financial year. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred.

Independence

The committee of the City Council appointed to consider the expediency of making arrangements for the due celebration of the approaching anniversary of American Independence, respectfully report the following for the consideration of the Council—

First—That a City celebration of the day is expedient, and that the Mayor be requested to invite the several City ward and County officers; members of the Executive, Legislative, and Judicial departments of the Commonwealth; the Clergy of the City; such national and State officers, & public functionaries as may be in the City; such strangers of distinction as he may think proper, and citizens generally, to assemble in Faneuil Hall, on the ensuing anniversary, at eleven o'clock A. M. to reciprocate congratulations on the day. He attended on the

~~the City authorities~~ on the day, and to attend the City cele 204.

bration of the anniversary.

Independence.

Second. That a public procession be formed by the City Marshal, at noon, in the order which the committee will hereafter report, to move to such meeting house as may be designated in said orders, to hear the City oration to be delivered by the Hon. James T. Austin. The City Council then to proceed to their respective chambers.

Third. That there be a military escort to the procession to be composed of such corps as may volunteer their services for the occasion.

Fourth. That two of the clergy of the City be invited to officiate as chaplains of the day.

Fifth. That a musical choir be invited to perform on the occasion, and that a suitable ode be procured.

Sixth. That application be made to the commanding officer of the Boston Brigade for leave to have salutes fired at sunrise, noon and sunset, by a corps of artillery.

Seventh. That direction be given for the ringing of the bells one hour after sunrise, and one hour before sunset.

Eighth. That a joint committee of arrangements of the two branches of the City government be appointed to carry the preceding into effect.

Ninth. Should the fire department of the City make a tender of their services to honor the day with their appearance, that the Mayor be requested to accept the offer, and to advise with the Chief Engineer, in the necessary arrangements of the same.

Tenth.

205. *Tenth*: That it is expedient that the City Council make an appropriation of two hundred dollars, to defray the necessary expenses of the celebration to be placed at the disposal of the committee of arrangements. The committee therefore recommend the adoption of the subjoined order.

By order of the committee. *Bry. Russell*, Chairman.

Ordered, that a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be and the same hereby is appropriated to defray the expenses of the celebration of the approaching anniversary of American Independence, to be placed at the disposal of such committee of arrangements as may be appointed, and that the same be withdrawn from the reserved fund. Read and accepted, in Common Council, and the order passed; and that Messrs Minns, Wetmore, Williams, Cunningham and Swift appointed a committee on its part, in conformity to the eighth section. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred, and the Mayor, Aldermen Cliver, Armstrong & Russell are joined.

Land west of

Charles St. *Order of the Common Council* appointing Messrs Waters, Lane and Frost, with such as the Board of Aldermen might join, a committee to consider and report up on the expediency of adopting some plan for reclaiming from the water and improving that part of the Common Land lying west of Charles street. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and the Mayor and Alderman Lewis are joined.

The committee to whom was 206.

referred, the message of the Mayor respecting the City flats Flats—
have attended to that object. They find, that the plans
and views presented by the Mayor in that message are correct,
and are confirmed by the opinion of the Boston Marine So-
ciety, who have, at the request of the committee investiga-
ted that subject. They accordingly report, the following
orders, which is respectfully submitted.

James Hall, Chairman of the com.

(Ordered, that the Mayor be requested, to apply
in behalf of the City government, to the Legislature, and
endeavour to obtain therefrom a grant to the City of such
portion of the flats lying east of the channel extending
from the Free bridge, southeasterly towards four point channel,
as may be sufficient for the purpose of establishing a wharf
or breakwater, to extend from the neighbourhood of Boston
Free bridge, towards said four point channel, or on such
parts of said flats as may hereafter be thought proper to
be used for that purpose.

Ordered, that the Senators of the County, and the
Representatives of the City, be and they are hereby requested,
to aid in obtaining a grant of the premises, for the purpose
aforesaid. Read and accepted in Common Council, &
the orders passed.

Lame up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

(Ordered, that the southerly end of Pond street Pond St.
be paved, and that the abutters be notified, to lay their side walks
according to law.)

207.

(O. P.)
Petition of James Fullerton, & others.

Fullerton praying, that the street leading from the Long wharf, connecting Commercial St. with the street now called Commercial street, be named and hereafter called Commercial street. Read and committed to Aldermen Kendall and Kuper, to consider and report.

Mr. W. L. Corp.

Whereas it is certified to this board by S. P. Fuller, Surveyor, that he has examined the street Commercial St. northwesterly of Commercial street, and finds the center part of the street has been raised to the level required by the Surveyors of highways from the City's land to the street leading to the said street, through land of Robert G. Shaw, Esq. excepting at the intersection of Crook street, the space of eight feet wide on each side of the street appropriated for side walks, is not filled up as required. And the said street having ever also examined by the Mayor and Aldermen, and whereas it is represented to be the wish of the said Mercantile Wharf Corporation, that further time may be allowed, for filling up the side walks on said second street, and the said space at the intersection of Crook street. Therefore ordered, that the sum of nineteen thousand, three hundred and twenty dollars and fifty cents be borrowed, and that the sum of fourteen thousand, three hundred and twenty dollars and fifty cents, past due, be applied to the fulfillment of the contract made as aforesaid with the said Corporation. Came up for concurrence. Read and upon the question of concurrence, in the aforesaid order, the yeas and nays, being taken agreeably to a joint

rules of the City Council are as follows viz: The Mayor, 208.

Aldermen Oliver, Loring, Kendall, Hall, Armstrong, Russell and Lewis, voting in the affirmative. So the same was concurred in by a unanimous vote.

Ordered, that the primary school Primary sch. committee of district No. 1, or either of them, be authorized Vide pa. 218. to build a school house on the neck land, at their own expense, for the accommodation of the 6th primary school of said district, on such conditions as the board of Aldermen may deem expedient; subject to be removed, whenever the City Council shall order. Came up for concurrence. Read and committed to Aldermen Hall & Lewis to consider and report.

The board proceeded by ballot to Consulting Physician the election of a Consulting Physician, and the votes being taken, it appeared, that John Randall, M. D. was chosen, in concurrence with the Common Council.

Order of the Common Council ap City Printer pointing John H. Eastburn, City Printer, for the year ensuing. Came up for concurrence. Read and nonconcurred. Thereupon Ordered, that the committee on accounts, be a committee to consider and report upon the subject of appointing a City Printer, the ensuing year, with power to advertise for proposals in such way and manner as they may think proper. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Petition of J. J. Jackson, to
 Jackson purchase a small piece of the City lands, lying in the
 Washington St. rear of No. 1515, Washington Street. Read and committed
 in Common Council to the committee on Neck lands, to con-
 sider and report. Came up for concurrence
 Read and concurred.

Dunlap Ordered, that Andrew Dunlap, Esq.
 Old State house be permitted to assign his lease of an office in the Old
 State house for the remainder of his term, to Henry Johnson &
 Hart Pavenport; but upon condition that said Dunlap
 the original lessee shall not be exonerated from the pay-
 ment of the rent agreeably to the terms of his lease.

Mill Creek. Ordered, that public notice be given
 to the abutters on the Mill Creek, between Ann Street, and
 Charlestown Street, to appear before this Court, on Wednesday,
 next four o'clock P. M. and show cause, if any they have,
 why a common sewer should not be laid through said
 Creek, to connect with that already laid, leading from
 Ann Street to the sea: and that the expense thereof be
 apportioned upon those whose estates shall be benefited thereby,
 according to law.

French Petition of Thomas French, and others for
 Snowhill St. leave to dig a well in Snow hill Street. Read & committed to Alder-
 men Oliver & Wells, to consider & report.

Petition of Benjamin Humphry, 210.

and others, praying, that Cross street, from Ann street to Humphry second street, be widened. Read and committed to Alder- Cross st.
men Oliver and Wells, to consider and report.

Alfred Dutch gives notice of Dutch
his intention of building on Green street. Read & com- Green st.
mitted to Aldermen Kendall & Kuppel, to consider & report.

Communication from John Sullivan, Sullivan,
in relation to his building and alleged encroachment on a
street leading from Ann street to what was formerly Howard,
wharf. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver & Wells,
to consider and report.

The auditor of accounts communicated Webb's
the account of the income of the legacy of Rufus Webb, to the legacy.
Franklin school, with the particular amount of the Master of
said school, in relation to the expenditure of the same, for one
year. Read and filed.

Ordered, that the committee on the Beacon st.
Commons be instructed to lay a drain in continuation of the com- drain
mon sewer at the bottom of Beacon street, in such way & manner
as they shall judge to be most expedient.

Adjourned to Wednesday next, four o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Wednesday, the seventh day of June, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present -

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Aldermen Armstrong & Lewis.

City Solicitor

Agreeably to assignment, the board proceeded by ballot to the choice of an Attorney and Solicitor for the City, the current year; and the votes being taken, it appeared, that John R. Adam, Esq. was unanimously elected, in concurrence with the Common Council.

Boston Mill

Corp.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of the Boston Mill Corporation, for liberty to sink a well in Court street, and to take a section thereof from the Mill pond lands, have considered the subject, and respectfully report. That the request of said Corporation be granted, on the following conditions viz. that the pipes or conduits to be laid from said well, shall be made of some metallic substance, and also, that the well or reservoir, shall be closed and finished on the surface of the street in such a manner, as that it may be acceptable at all times by the fire department and convenient to be used by the engines, for the purpose of extinguishing fires. It is provided also, that the City shall be forever secured from any liabilities or cost of repairs or damages done to said well,

from

from any cause whatsoever; and provided further that a 212.
bond be required of said Corporation, containing such pro-
visions as shall effectually secure the City from any damage
which may be caused to the street or streets through which
said conductors may pass, and further, that said Corporation
shall stipulate, in the bond, to be given as aforesaid, to in-
demnify and save harmless any person or persons whose well
may be drained in whole or in part, in consequence of the
construction of said wells. And whereas the said Boston Water
Corporation may hereafter cease to exist, and the proprietor-
ship of said well may be vested in some person or persons
other than said Corporation, therefore the bond to be given
to the City, by said Corporation, shall be made binding on
the owner, or owners, proprietor or proprietors of said well,
to all intents and purposes as it would or could have been
on said Corporation as such. [a] And the Board of Aldermen
shall allow a full hearing of the parties interested, have
the right to discontinue and annul said ^(b) grant]. And
that the City may use the soil dug from said well
should the Board of Aldermen so direct. The work to be
conducted under the direction of the superintendent of streets.
All which is respectfully submitted by order of the committee
H. A. Kendall

Read and accepted, with an amendment, strike out from
(a) to (b).

Benjamin Pollard, Esq. was nominated City Marshal.
and appointed City Marshal.

The committee, to whom was referred, the petition of James Fullerton, and others, praying Commercial St. that the street leading from the Long wharf, to the Mill Creek, be called Commercial street. Reported, that the prayer of said petition be granted, and that said street commencing at the Long Wharf, and extending to the southward end of Commercial street, be in future considered, as a continuation of the same street, and that it be called, & hereafter known by the name of Commercial street, & also, that said street be numbered, beginning at the Long Wharf, on the westerly side of said street, with number one. Read and accepted, and that the Mayor be authorized to see it executed.

Weld: The committee on the petition of Portland Hudson Benjamin Weld, praying leave to lay a section from a well streets, on an estate at the corner of Portland and Hudson streets - Reported, that it is expedient to grant the prayer of said petition, on the following conditions viz: that the conduits be laid in the street shall be of metal, and that the work be done under the direction of the Superintendent of streets. Read and accepted.

Bethune: Petition of George Bethune, praying Elm St & Dock to be compensated for land taken to widen Elm street & Dock square. Read and committed to Aldermen Kendall and Russell, to consider and report.

21
Petition of John Ripley, pray 244.

ing leave to open a well in the street, which formerly Ripley
belonged to his estate at the corner of Hanover & Tilsdon Hanover &
streets, and to take a suction therefrom. Read & committed Tilsdon st.
to Aldermen Oliver and Wells, with full power to grant
the same.

Ellis
Front st.

The committee to whom was
referred the petition of Rufus Ellis, and others on the subject
of nuisances in Front street. Report, that there are six or
seven parts of old docks lying west of Front street, partially
filled up, and from which the tide used to ebb & flow.
The sluice ways or drains leading therefrom having become
stoppered, all these docks are now repositories of filth and
stagnant water, to the inconvenience and danger of those
who live in that vicinity. The committee know not to
whom it belongs to remove such nuisances, but presume
that in some cases if not all, to the proprietors of the
Docks: they therefore recommend that an order of notice should
be given to all concerned therein, to shew cause why drains
should not be laid by the City, and the expense apportioned
on those benefited thereby. James Hall, for the committee.

Read and accepted, and thereupon ordered, that public
notice be given to all persons interested to appear before this
Board on Wednesday next, four o'clock P.M. and shew cause
if any they have, why common sewers or drains should
not be laid through Front street, in order to drain the cellars
and docks on the west side of said street, & that the expense
thereof be apportioned according to law.

Petition of William M. Eliot.

Eliot praying, that the level of Tremont street, as directed by the Tremont St. Board of Aldermen, June 21st 1878, may be so far altered, as to make it conform to the plan taken by J. S. Fuller, between Montgomery place and Court street, and that after said level shall be effected, that the same part of said street may be macadamized, instead of being raised.

Read and thereupon ordered, that public notice be given to all persons interested, and whose estates may be affected by said proposed alteration to appear before this board, on some day next, four o'clock P.M. and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

Dutch

The committee to whom was referred the notice of Hynd Dutch, of his intention to build on Green street, Report, that, in their opinion, it is advisable further to widen said Green street, by taking a strip of land eight feet long and ten feet, four inches in breadth from the lot of said Dutch, containing one hundred & one third sq. feet; said strip of land lying southwesterly of a continuation of the front line of the buildings now erecting by Cushing Nichols. The committee further recommend, that there should be allowed and paid to said Dutch by the City, at the rate of one dollar per square foot, amounting to one hundred dollars, \$100 in full compensation for said lands, and also in full for all other damages (if any) which may be caused to the estate of said Dutch by reason of the taking of the land aforesaid;

granted

provided however, that the above sum is not to be paid; 2^d.
or any part thereof until the said Dutch shall have caused
the fence, which now covers a part of said land (as above
described) to be removed to the line, as marked on the plan
of said street. Respectfully submitted, for the Committee.
W. A. Kendall.

Read and accepted, and thereupon resolved, that
the public safety and convenience require, that said Green
street be widened, and the same is hereby laid out & widened
in manner following: Beginning at the southeast corner
of the houses now erecting by Christian Nichols, thence running
northeasterly by a line in continuation of the front of said
houses, forty eight feet to land of Andrew Cunningham, thence
thence westerly, two feet, four inches, more or less to Green street,
thence northwesterly, by the present line of Green street, forty
eight feet northeasterly, two feet, four inches, to the place of
beginning.

Ordered, that the Mayor be re- Sullivan,
quested to direct Mr. John Sullivan to remove so much of
the building which he has begun to erect in the street
leading from Ann street to Second street (so called) as stands
in the same, and if it shall not be removed in twenty days,
from this date, the same will be removed by order of this
board, at his expense.

Also, that the Mayor be requested
to cause the depositions of Messrs. John Wyer, and John D. Howard
in relation to said rapage way, to be taken in perpetuum rei
memoriam.

217.

Ordered, that the Superintendent
Mill Creek of streets, cause public notice to be given, that proposals will
be received, at the Mayor's office, until Wednesday, next, four
o'clock P.M. to furnish the materials and lay a common
sewer, of the quality and capacity of that already laid
in the Mill Creek, the price per running foot, on the
said sewer to extend from Ann Street to Charlestown
Street and to be laid under the direction, and to the ac-
ceptance of the Mayor and Aldermen.

Castle Street

Ordered, that public notice be given,
Orange Place: that proposals will be received, at the Mayor's office un-
til Wednesday, next, four o'clock P.M. to furnish the
materials and lay common sewers in Castle Street, &
Orange Place; said sewers to be of the following dimensions
viz: to be made of good pine timber six inches thick, two
feet in the clear, and covered with the same, the price
per running foot - the same to be laid under the direc-
tion, and to the acceptance of the Mayor & Aldermen.

St. Nicholas

Castle St.

The committee on the petition of the
St. Nicholas, and others, to have Castle Street paved, re-
ported, that the part of said street now petitioned, to be
paved, is not raised to a suitable level with the re-
mainder of the street. And that the petitioners have
learned to withdraw their petition. James Hall, for the
Committee.
Read and accepted.

Q

The committee to whom was refer- 218.

red the order passed by the Common Council, relative to the Primary sch.
building a school house for the primary school district, N^o 1, house.
Report that this board ought to concur therein. Read &
accepted, and the order passed in concurrence; & thereupon
ordered, that said school house be constructed under the
superintendence of the committee of the district.

Application of Richard Potter, for Potter
a license to exhibit as a ventriloquist, at Concert Hall, Ventri-Quint.
for one week. Granted, on paying therefor two dollars
for each and every night he shall perform.

Petition of James Washburn, and Washburn
others, that a common sewer be constructed in Charter street, Charter st.
and the order thereon postponed to the next meeting & in
the mean time committed to Aldermen Oliver & Wells
to consider and report.

(Ordered, that the following owners, Charter
of estates on Charter street be notified to lay their side walks, street.
viz: Thomas B. Pratt, John Wells, James Washburn, Leonard
Washburn, Benjamin Dodd, in his own right, & also as Agent, &
Ulrich Ritchie.

(Charles W. Reed, and Timothy J. Roberts, Firemen.
nominated & appointed firemen, Ward N^o 6. Ward N^o 6.

219.

(Application of James Boyd, for
Boyd leave to ~~shut~~ erect one of Hollands forcing pumps, at the
Hollands pump toll house, on the Western Avenue, and to attach to it some
pump. old here, belonging to the fire department, sufficient to convey
water to Charles street in case of fire: Read & committed
to the committee on the fire department, to consider &
report.

Seamen's fire

The Directors of the Seamen's
Society, friend society of the City, give notice of their intention
Purchase & of erecting a meeting house, on the easterly side of Fort
hill, fronting on Purchase street. Read and committed
to Seamen Wendall & Russell, to consider & report.

Bartlett

street.

(Ordered, that the Superintendent
of streets be authorized to pave Bartlett street (formerly
White bread Alley) with paving stones, the abutments paying
such part of the expense, as would otherwise be taken
up for side walks.

Constable of

Watch

Cyrus Babbitt nominated & appointed
ed Constable of the Watch.

Funerals

Thomas Haskell & Thomas Claplin

Funerals

nominated & appointed, funeral undertakers.

(Adjourned to Wednesday next, four o'clock, P. M.

(At a special meeting, of the 220.
Board of Aldermen, of the City of Boston, on Friday
the nineteenth day of June, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor and the whole Board of Aldermen except
Alderman Lewis.

(Application of Whitwell, Bond & Whitwell, &
Co. and Coolidge & Muskeel, for the use of the Hall over Coolidge &
the new Market, for an extensive sale of American goods Market Hall,
on or about the twenty seventh day of August next,
Read and committed to Aldermen Loring, Kendall, &
Wells, to consider and report.

(Application of William Emmons, Emmons.
for the use of Faneuil Hall, in order to pronounce an Faneuil Hall
oration therein on the fourth day of July, next. Read &
the prayer thereof not granted, in consequence of the
Hall being engaged for another purpose.

Adjourned to Wednesday next, four o'clock p.m.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Wednesday, the twenty fourth day of June, Anno Domini, 1829.

Presents -

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Castle Street.

It appearing to this board, that notice has been given, agreeable to the order passed on Wednesday last, in relation to a drain or common sewer in Castle Street. And now no person appearing to object it is thereupon ordered, that a common sewer be laid in Castle Street, in continuation of the one in the upper part of said street, and the expense thereof apportioned according to law, upon those whose estates shall be benefited thereby, and that the contract for doing the work, be made under the direction of the Mayor.

Oil

Ordered, that the Mayor be authorized to contract with Joseph P. Bradley, for supplying the City with oil, the current year, his proposition being the lowest terms which have been offered, viz. Winter kerosene oil, head matter, at seventy six cents, and summer ditto at sixty five cents, and deliver the same to the lamp lighters in such quantities as may be ordered. Given his hand this 24th day of June.

Second Street.

Ordered, that Second Street leading from Leverett to Brighton Street, be paved. That the abutters be notified to lay their side walks &c.

Ordered, that public notice 222.

be given, to the abuttors or owners of estates bounding on Salem street, that part of Salem street, northerly from Salem place to Prince street, to appear before this board, on Wednesday, next, four o'clock, P.M. and show cause, if any, they have, why a common sewer should not be laid in said street, and the expense thereof apportioned upon those, whose estates shall be benefited thereby, according to law.

Memorial of the Superintendent of burial grounds, stating, that the ground allotted for the interment of the City poor, is nearly all taken up, and that a committee be appointed, to ascertain the best mode for their interment in future. Read and committed to the committee on burial grounds and cemeteries, to consider and report. Sup. burial grounds
City poor.

Petition of Ichabod Macomber, and others, stating, that they are about erecting a meeting house on the corner of Broadway and C street, they pray, that the bounds of said streets in that place, and the elevation of the same, may be determined. Read and committed to Aldermen Hall and Lewis, to consider and report. Macomber
Broadway
C street

Memorial of Turner Phillips, and others, proprietors of a common sewer in Everett street of the City, offering the same to the acceptance of the City. Read and committed to Aldermen Loring & Armstrong, to consider & report. Phillips
Everett St.

Goodhue others residents and parents of children at the Mill Dam,
Mill Dam attending the primary school at that place, praying, that
Primary sch. some provision may be made in relation to building a
 school house at that place. Read and committed to Alder-
 men Spring and Armstrong, with such as the Common
 Council may join, to consider and report. Sent down for
 concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council
 joined on its part, Messrs Goodhue, Starbuck & Turner.

Holmes

Petition of Abel Holmes, and others.

Oliver St. Proprietors of estates on Oliver Street, praying, that a pump
 which formerly stood in said street, and was removed the
 last year may be replaced at the expense of the City,
 or that they may be permitted to take water therefrom
 by suction, for the benefit of the neighbourhood. Read &
 committed to Aldermen Hendrick & Russell, to consider &
 report.

Augusta

Sufferers

The Mayor communicated a letter,
 which he received from the committee of the sufferers by
 fire at Augusta Georgia acknowledging the receipt of a
 draft for the amount of the contributions made in this
 City for their relief. Read and thereupon ordered, that
 the said letter be entered at large on the records. The
 same is published in Viz. Augusta G. 12th June 1829.

Sir. We have the honour to acknowledge the
 receipt of your communications of the 24th April & 23rd of
 May.

May; the latter enclosing a check of the Branch Bank 224.
of the United States in Boston on the branch of the same
institution in Savannah for the sum of two thousand two
hundred and forty seven dollars 58 '2247.58' applicable to
the relief of the sufferers by fire in Augusta together
with a statement of the sources from which it was derived.
Will you please to express to the generous donors the grate-
ful feelings with which so acceptable a contribution has been
received heightened by the reflection that neither distance nor
the absence of intimate relations could repress an exercise of
liberality so honorable to your fellow citizens. Accept, Sir,
our warmest thanks for your ever efficient services in
promoting the success of the application, and for all the
courtesies with which they have been accompanied.

We have the honour to be with great respect

Sirs, Your Obedt. servts. Tho. Cumming
Richd. Tubman } Com^{rs}

The Hon. Harrison Gray Olin, Mayor of the City of Boston.

P.S. It may be proper to add, that the committee
rec^d fifty dollars, a donation for the same object from a
respectable Citizen of Boston, passing through this place, soon
after the fire.

Remonstrance of William Grubb, Grubb
and others, against any more licenses being granted for the
sale of spiritous liquors, in the Shops in the neighbour-
hood of Richmond and Iron streets. Read and committed to
Aldermen Oliver & Wells, to consider and report.

The committee to whom was referred
 Mann the petition of Pleg Mann, and others, praying, that the
 trees which stand in Warren street may be cut down, that
 a baker's carts may be prohibited from obstructing said street,
 reported, that the trees ought to be cut down, and that the
 Superintendent of streets, be ordered to have it done, and that
 the subject of the baker's carts be attended to by the City
 Marshal. Read and accepted & ordered accordingly.

Adan The Mayor communicated a letter
 declines as City which he received from John R. Adan, Esq. desiring to ac-
 Solicitor cept the office of City Attorney and Solicitor, to which he
 has been elected by the City Council. Read & Thomson
 ordered, that Webster be invited to come to a meeting of the board
 in person for a new choice on the part of this board.

Mill Creek Ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen
 Oliver and Wells, be a committee to take into consideration
 the subject of making a common sewer in the Mill Creek
 and filling up the same between Ann and Charlestown
 streets, and that the said committee cause to be investiga-
 ted the title of said Creek and the rights and privileges
 of the several abutters on the same, if any, and make
 report to this board.

Ordered, that Ald. Hall, Lewis & Wells,
 be a committee to consider & report upon the expediency of removing a pump
 from the Mall near Charles street.

After hearing the parties interested, 226.

it is thereupon resolved, that the elevation of Tremont street, between Montgomery place, and the passage south of the Old Museum be reduced, which was ordered by the Mayor and Aldermen on the twenty first day of June, 1828, as by reference thereto will appear, to further reduce and make to conform to a plan of the premises taken by J. P. Fuller, dated, June 10. 1820, as follows viz: Beginning, at the present surface of said street opposite the passage way, leading to the Old Museum, now called Columbian Hall, and running on an inclined plane, southerly, five hundred & sixty feet, to the surface of the street nearly opposite the northerly corner of land of Miss Elizabeth DeBlois, between Montgomery place and Bromfield street.

Ordered, that the committee on Raisford Island be authorized to cause a cottage to be constructed on Raisford Island, for the use of the Resident Physician, at an expense not to exceed, four hundred and fifty dollars, according to the plan exhibited.

The account of the First Baptist Chh. for two hundred & thirty one feet of land taken to widen Salem street, in May last, amounting to two hundred, seventeen dollars, & seventy two cents allowed.

Petition of the trustees of the Tremont Theatre for leave to play on Saturday evening the 11th of July next. Read & thereupon ordered, that they have leave to withdraw their Petition.

Adjourned to Wednesday, next, four o'clock. P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Wednesday the 1st day of July, Anno Domini 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Lewis.

Eddy,
Gas works.

(Remonstrance of Caleb Eddy, Father, against the Gas works, and praying, that some means may be devised to guard against the noxious effects, and the injuries attending the manufacture of Gas, and that said works be required to be located without the limits of the City. Taken from the files, read and committed to the Mayor, Aldermen Loring and Armstrong, to consider & report.

Pope,
Cows at South
Boston

Petition of Micajah Pope, Father, praying, that the Cows may be restrained from going at large at South Boston, which he has been prevented from doing. Read and committed to Aldermen Hull and Lewis, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider & report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part. Messrs. Everett, Waters, and Perrin.

Coverly,
Auction St.

Petition of Edward Coverly, Father, praying, that a building should be widened by cutting off a part of the estate belonging to the heirs of Abraham French deceased. Read and committed to Aldermen Kimball and Russell, to consider and report.

Petition of John G. Roberts, & 228.

Cyrus Topelyn, praying, that the drains or sewers in Piedmont Roberts and Cedar streets may be further continued, in order that Piedmont & Cedar their estates may be relieved from the nuisance, which they streets. allow, exists in their neighbourhood. Read & committed to Aldermen Mall and Lewis, to consider & report.

Application of Mark Spinney, for Spinney a license to exhibit a sea monster, a non-descript at the Sea monster Washington Gardens, on the 4th instant. Read & granted.

Petition of George Sanell, & others, Sanell to have a common sewer extended in Charles street, in order Charles street. to drain their estates. Read and committed to Aldermen Living and Hutchinson with authority to cause it to be done, upon such terms as they may think fit.

Ordered, that the committee of Advertisements accounts be instructed to inquire and report the newspapers in which the City ordinances and advertisements shall hereafter be published. Sent down for concurrence. Came up & concurred.

John Gray's account for land, and Gray damage to his estate in consequence of taking part of the Hanover st. same to widen Hanover street. Read & committed to Aldermen Oliver and Wells, to consider and report.

Petition of Ward Jackson.

Jackson others, praying, that a sewer be laid in the ground in or near Cambridge street, near Parkman's Market.

Read and sent down.

Curtis.

Ordered, that Charles P. Curtis Esq. be and he hereby is authorized to appear and act as counsel for the City until its attorney and auditor shall be duly elected by the City Council.

Tremont St.

Ordered, that Tremont street in front of the Tremont Hotel between Montgomery place & Columbia street be macadamized agreeably to the petition of William H. Eliot, Esq. after the board shall see fit to do so agreeably to the order of this board.

Green Dragon

Ordered, that Messrs Benjamin Smith, Henry Parker, Zephaniah Sampson, David Parker & Thomas W. Phillips be returned as assessors in the case of the bond to be given by the Green Dragon Liquorists & the City.

Samuel

Wren St

The committee on the petition of Isaac Samuel, praying, that the board would review their former proceedings in relation to the remuneration which was paid him for land taken to widen Wren street, report that they can find no cause to alter the same.

Read and accepted.

and Aaron Baldwin, praying, that a new common sewer be laid to lead from the westerly end of Spruce street, thro' the northerly end of Front street, to Back street. And it is thereupon ordered, that public notice be given, to all persons interested to appear before this board, on Wednesday, next, four o'clock, P.M. and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted, and the expense thereof apportioned upon those whose estates shall be benefited thereby.

It appearing to this board that notice has been given to all persons interested in the subject of laying common sewers through Front street. And now no person appearing to object, it is thereupon ordered, that a common sewer be laid, and the expense thereof apportioned according to law upon all those whose estates shall be benefited thereby.

Ordered, that the Mayor be authorized to make sale of the whole of the triangular land to the piece of land near the Green Dragon, fronting on Merriam street.

The committee on Neck lands to whom was referred the petition of A. J. Jackson, offering to purchase a piece of land in the rear of No. 1055 Washington street, northerly on Suffolk street, at ten cents per square foot, reported, that their offer was accepted, that a deed be given to him accordingly. And accepted. Sent down for recording.

Same up concurred.

231. Ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen Kendall and Russell, be a committee to cause that part of the buildings which were taken to widen Doane street, and which now stand within the line of said street, to be removed on the thirteenth day of July instant, and that they engage suitable workmen, for that purpose, and that said committee be instructed to rebuild the front of the stores on said street, if they shall be so instructed by the owners or tenants, and that the Mayor give notice thereof to Mr. Elisha Parks, and his tenants.

Ordered, that all persons who were
licensed the last year as Amholders, Tithallers, retailers &
retainers, and against whom no complaint has been made
and who shall apply therefor, shall be licensed the next
year. And in those cases where objections were made, that
the same be referred to the Mayor.

The following named persons were
nominated and appointed Auctioneers, for one year, viz
Ebenzer Alexander, Andrew J. Allen, James M. Allen,
George Bond, Samuel S. Barr, Isaac Bowman,
Winthrop M. Baker, Stephen Brown, Charles C. Braman,
Joseph E. Fordman, Abner Brown, George A. Channing,
Samuel F. Coolidge, Charles D. Coolidge, Arthur P. Allen,
Joseph L. Cunningham, William Deane, George L. Davis,
Samuel G. Drake, Alfred Dorr, Samuel Everett,
Stephen

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Stephen Eddy, John Fairfield, Edward S. Hall,
Charles S. Hall, Elisha Haskell, Abel Hatch, Junior,
Daniel Hemeny, Nestor Doughlor, Thomas H. Jones,
Samuel Jones, John Kennedy, Junr, Benjamin Poor,
Thomas B. Park, Herbert L. Peabody, Chas. E. A. Richardson,
John S. Spear, Benjamin Weaver, Frank Stratten,
David Mamood, John Tyler, George B. Thomas,
Richard Warren, Samuel Whitwell, Ferdinand E. White,

Adjourned to Wednesday, next, 4 o'clock, P. M.

At a special meeting of the board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Saturday, the fourth
day of July, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Order of the Common Council appoint Orator
ing the Mayor and Aldermen a committee to present the Thanks to
Thanks of the City Council to the Hon. James E. Austin,
for the elegant, spirited and very appropriate oration,
this day, by him delivered, and to request a copy for
the press. Came up for concurrence. Read and
concurred, and that the Mayor be requested to com-
municate the same.

Adjourned to Wednesday, next, four o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Wednesday the eighth day of July, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Armstrong.

Levee St.

St.

Ordered, that the opinion of the Attorney and Solicitor of the City be procured to ascertain what right and title the City and County has to the flats in front of the Gaol and House of Correction on Levee Street.

Mill Creek

swore

It appearing upon evidence & investigation before the board, that the Mill Creek is in its present state a nuisance threatening immediate danger to the health of the City. Whereupon ordered, that the proposal of Taylor, to lay one thousand and ten feet of sewer in the Mill Creek from Ann street to Charlestown street, of a similar capacity, and of like materials of that already laid from the sea to Ann street, at the rate of three dollars, seventy five cents, per foot, for all work and materials found, and provided be accepted, and that said sewer be forthwith constructed under the direction of the Superintendent of streets, and to the approbation of this board.

Whiting

Petition of Marcus Whiting, and others, praying that the board would withhold from each person who has been licensed at South Boston, (tavern keepers

excused.

excepted as victuallors and retailers of spirits to be drunk in 234.
their shops, a renewal of their licenses, and that no such license
should be hereafter granted in that section of the City. Read
and committed to the Honorable ^{Members} ~~Readers~~ and ^{Supr.} ~~Supr.~~ to con-
sider and report.

Petition of Daniel Baxter, & Baxter

others, praying, that a street may be laid out from North ^{in a new street.}
ampton street to Front street, at South Boston bridge. Read
and committed to the committee on Neck lands, to consider
and report.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Ordered, that the Superintendent of streets be directed to cause the drain at the bottom
of Beacon street, to be continued from the point where it now
terminates to the channel, conducting the same by the side
of the eastern wall of the Western Avenue. Beacon
street.

The committee to whom was ^{referred} ~~referred~~
the petition of E. A. Devolf, and others, inhabitants May st.
of the City, and residing in and near May street, praying to
have said street repaired, and put in good order & condition
Report, That they have examined the street referred to in
said petition and have found the same in a very bad con-
dition. The westerly part thereof is almost impassable for
carriages and dangerous in the night time, even for foot pas-
sengers. The whole street has been suffered to remain for a
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235 long time in a neglected and unfinished state, and in the opinion of this committee ought to be immediately put in such a state of repair as will render the same safe and convenient for travelling, with this view they recommend the passing the following order.

H. F. Loring, for the committee.

Ordered, that the Superintendent of streets be & he is hereby directed to cause May street to be forthwith repaired, and the level of said street to be reduced in conformity to a plan of the same drawn by S. P. Fuller, and which is herewith submitted, with any modifications which the committee of the district shall order.

Read & accepted, and the order passed.

Rice.

The committee on the petition of the citizens of this city, and others, praying that Commercial street be continued in a northerly direction, report, that said petitioners, ever asking, if they can get a fair report there to be taken, and an estimate of the probable expense of carrying through said street, of the width of fifty feet, & the same to be presented to this board, to be used in any further hearing, on their said petition. Read & accepted.

Essex street

Ordered, that the subject of laying a common sewer leading from the westerly part of Essex street, through the northerly end of Front street to Beach street, be committed to the Board of Health, to consider & report.

Petition of Samuel Torrey, 236.

and others, praying, that the common sewer in Dock Square, Torrey
may be repaired, or a new one laid. Read and thereupon Dock Square
ordered, that all persons interested be notified by publication
in the newspapers, to appear before this Board, on Wednesday
next, four o'clock P.M. and show cause, if any, they have,
why said common sewer should not be taken up and
repaired or a new one laid; and the expense thereof apportioned
upon those whose estates shall be benefited thereby, according
to law.

Petition of Henry J. Oliver, Esq., Oliver

praying that the Court or Avenue leading southerly from Foster's place
sheet, in Ward No. 1, on land late of Paul Revere, Esq. deceased,
on which the petitioner has built five dwelling houses, be
called Foster place, the same being private property. Read and
the prayer thereof granted.

The committee appointed to consider Charles Street

and report upon the expediency of removing the pump from
the Mall near Charles street, report, that the pump be
removed and placed on the opposite side of Charles street
and that the water be conducted from the well to the
pump by means of leaden suction pipes; the work to be done
under the direction of the Superintendent of streets. Read &
accepted.

Remonstrance of Wm. Clouston, & others, against Clouston

the having of Essex street. Read & committed to Aldermen Hall Lewis, Esq. &
to consider & report.

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Bemis

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Charles Bemis and others, praying that a drain be laid from Washington street to Front street, report that the common sewer, belonging to the City, empties into a dock, the property of Benjamin Goddard, Esq. This dock with one or two adjoining would be trained by carrying the sewer across Front street, to the sea, which the committee recommend to be done, and the expense apportioned on all who shall be benefited thereby, particularly as these docks, are becoming filthy receptacles of unhealthy matter.

Read and accepted.

Harbour

master

Ordered, that Aldermen Hall and Lewis, with such as the Common Council may join, or a committee to consider and report, upon the expediency of making provision for the appointment of a harbour master. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, & the Common Council joined on its part Messrs. Austin, Abbot and Pickman.

Augusta

See

Alderman Insley having reported that since the transmission of the money collected in this City for the sufferers by fire, of the Inhabitants of Augusta, in the State of Georgia, he has received an additional sum of seventeen dollars, from one of the Churches in South Boston.

Ordered, that the Mayor be requested to transmit the amount aforesaid to the Committee of said Augusta, when an opportunity shall offer.

Krüper
Esper St

The committee on the petition of Charles S. Krüper, and others, praying, that Esper street may be widened, report, that they find that Esper street may be widened, by the purchase of about two hundred feet of land at the place prayed for, by these petitioners, growing on the land the City purchased a few years since to be applied to that purpose. The buildings that would be cut off to widen the street are of little value, and they therefore recommend that the street should be widened, at the place prayed for.

James Hall, for the committee.

Read and accepted, & thereupon ordered, that the Mayor be requested to get an appraisement to be made of the buildings which are necessary to be taken down to widen said street.

Sullivan,

Ordered, that the Mayor be authorized to permit John Sullivan, to continue his wooden blacksmith's shop in a street leading from Ann Street down Howard's wharf, to Second street, until the further order of this board, on condition that said Sullivan shall agree in writing that this permission and the continuance of said building as aforesaid shall not affect the legality of the proceedings of the City government in laying out said street, and that the same shall remain and be considered as if this permission had not been given, & not otherwise.

Reg. given copy.

Ordered, that the Mayor & Ald. Wells be a com^{rs} to make such alterations in the Register of deeds office as may be deemed necessary.

Resolved, that this board en- 210.

ertain a just sense of the interest uniformly manifested by Admiral Sir Isaac Coffin, in the welfare of this City, and that their thanks be presented to him, for his donation of the Mechanics Magazine, contained in several numbers, sufficient to form three volumes.

Ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen Mechanics Russell and Wells, be a committee to consider and report, what disposition shall be made of the books presented by Admiral Sir Isaac Coffin.

A letter was received from the Hon. John Quincy Adams, late President of the United States, stating his regards, "that circumstances of a private & domestic nature deprived him of the pleasure with which he should also have accepted the invitations to reciprocate congratulations with the City government on the 4th instant, and to attend the City anniversary of Independence. And requesting that the Mayor would make known to the Aldermen & Common Council, the sentiment of high regard, and of deep sensibility, which he entertains for the City government of Boston." Read and sent down.

Ordered, that the committee on removing Buildings from Doane Street be authorized to contract with such workmen as they may deem proper to remove the buildings with stand within the line of S. Street. Doane Street.

Adjourned to Wednesday next, four o'clock P. M.

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At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Wednesday the fifteenth day of July, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present -

The Mayor, Aldermen, Oliver, Kendall, Hall, Lewis & Wells.

City Marshal.

The City Marshals communication.

Respectfully, in relation to the house of a victualler, N^o 152, Hanover St. that several persons who have kept it, have been prosecuted for a violation of the license law, - also enclosing a remonstrance of Henry Jordan, and others against the tenant Nathaniel Kolesworth, receiving a license.

Read, and committed to Aldermen, Oliver and Wells, to consider and report.

Belthune.

The committee to whom was referred

John F. Belthune's communication, of George Belthune, for remuneration for land taken from his estate to widen Dock Square and Elm Street reported, that they could not agree with the petitioner, but that he agreed to submit the whole subject to the determination of referees to be mutually chosen. Read and thereupon ordered, that the Mayor be authorized to agree upon referees to settle the damages.

Marrett & Baldwin.

The committee on the petition of

Essex Street. Philip Marrett and Baldwin, praying that a new common sewer be laid in Essex Street, report, that they find great opposition

opposition on the part of the owners of estates on that street 212.
Though the committee think they will soon be petitioners
themselves. The committee find that those petitioners are
willing to construct the drain at their own expense down
said street as far as opposite the centre of Front street,
upon condition that the City will continue the same
to the common sewer in said street opposite the Church
a distance of from ninety to one hundred feet, and as
that part of the street is about to be paved, the com-
mittee recommend that the drain should be thus continued
by the City, believing they will ere long be reimbursed
the expense.

James Hall, for the committee.

Read and accepted.

The committee on the Gaol & Grand Jury
House of Correction, to whom was referred the report of the Municipal Court
Grand Jury, presented to the Municipal Court, in February,
last, ask leave to report, that there are but two subjects
contained in said report, which require the particular con-
sideration of the committee, viz. the location of the Muni-
cipal Court, and the want of suitable accommodations for
Witnesses, who are called to testify before the grand jury;
It is true, that a similar opinion with that expressed by
said jury, has been also expressed by former grand juries,
nevertheless, the committee are inclined to believe, that the
public interest and convenience are more promoted by the
present location, than they could be by a removal of said
Court.

243. Court to any other part of ~~said~~ the City, to say nothing of
Grand Jury the great expense to the City, which must be the inevitable
Municipal Court. Consequence of such a removal. Your committee are not
anxious to say, that said Court House is located in the most
suitable and convenient place; but it must be apparent to
every reflecting unprejudiced mind, that Court having crim-
inal jurisdiction, ought to be located near the prison, where
the individuals are confined who are to take their trials
at such Court. Your committee cannot but believe, that the
frequent exposure of the dissolute, immoral and often half-
naked, of both sexes, who are conveyed through our streets to
the Police Court, and from there to the Gaol or House of
Correction must be appalling to the feelings of all good citizens
(especially females) and having a direct tendency to corrupt the
minds, and blunt the sensibilities of our youth by familiaris-
ing them to scenes of misery and crime. And when it is
recalled, that there is now in the possession of this committee
a petition signed by more than one hundred respectable citizens
who pray, that the Police Court may be removed to Leverett
Street; the special object of said petitioners is to remove or
open the same evil, which a removal of the Municipal Court
would greatly increase. Your committee therefore recommend
that no further order be taken on this part of the subject.
The Committee further report, that some further provision
ought to be made, for the accommodation of witnesses who
are called to testify before the grand jury of the Municipal
Court; and whereas the Clerk of said Court usually occupies
two

two rooms, one of which may be used for said witnesses 244.

during the time the grand jury are in session, which is ordinarily but two days in each month, without much, if any, inconvenience to said Clerk. The committee therefore recommend, that the room No. 4, be appropriated for the use of witnesses, on each and every day, when the Grand Jury, are in session.

Respectfully submitted, for the committee. Th^s Kendall.

Read and accepted.

The committee on the application Nudd & Moore
of Nudd and Moore; to be remunerated for land taken to widen Lynn St.
on Lynn street, report, that they have procured the opinion
of the City Solicitor, agreeably to a vote of the board of Alder-
men, as on file, and in view of said opinion, the committee
report the within order and recommend, that the same be
passed. In behalf of the committee. S^t. J. Oliver.

Read and accepted.

Resolved, that the public safety Lynn street.
and convenience requires, that Lynn street be widened, &
the same is laid out and widened, on the southerly side
agreeably to the original laying out of the same, by the
Aldermen of Boston in 1793, agreeably to a plan taken by
S. P. Fuller, in the book of plans - viz: Beginning at a
point on the easterly line of land belonging to Messrs Nudd
& Moore, at the distance of forty feet from the northerly side
of said Lynn street, and running westerly about thirty six
feet

245. feet, six inches to land of Charles Jones, at a point, forty feet distant from said northerly side of said street, then running northerly by land of said Jones to the present line of Lynn street, then easterly by said present line of said street to land of Jacob Tyler, then westerly by said land of said Tyler to the place of beginning; taking one hundred and seventy five square feet of land from said Mudd and Moore, and that the amount of the claim of said Mudd & Moore, one hundred and seventy five dollars for said land, and in full of all damages be paid said gentlemen from any money not otherwise appropriated, on their giving a proper discharge for the same. Read and accepted, & the resolve passed.

Melville.
Grook St.

Petition of Thomas Melville, and others
Praying, that Grook street may be paved and not macadamized.
Read and committed to the Mayor and Alderman Hindle,
to consider and report.

Shelling.

Application of W. G. Shelling for an additional sum of two hundred dollars, to defray the expenses of ascending and copying the Suffolk records of deeds. Read and Thompson ordered, that the Mayor be authorized to draw his warrants upon the Treasury for the same.

Primary school.

Com^r.

Application of the sub committee of the
Primary school committee, praying, that a house may be ex-
ecuted for a school room, which said committee have hired
for

for the term of three years at the corner of High & Federal 246.
streets. Read and committed to Aldermen Kendall & Russell
to consider and report.

The committee on the appli- Strange-
cation of William Strange, for a license to exhibit certain li-
ving animals, reported, that said license be granted upon the
payment of one dollar per week. Read & accepted.

Resolved, that the public safe- Essex street
ly and convenience require that Essex street be widened; & the
same is hereby laid out and widened in manner, follow-
ing, due notice to the persons interested, ~~being~~ having been giv-
en, viz: Beginning at the northwesterly corner of the brick wall
of Thomas Barry's house, on the southerly side of said street, from thence
running westerly by a straight line about one hundred & two feet to
the northeasterly corner of the brick house, lately occupied by Gilbert
Steward, Esq. deceased; then running easterly by the present line of said street
thirty eight feet three inches; then northerly six feet one inch; then
easterly sixty four feet ten inches, more or less; then southerly three
feet one inch, to the place of beginning; taking ninety square feet of
land from Thomas Blasland; three hundred & sixty seven feet from M^r
Batterman, & eighty two feet from land belonging to the City accord-
ing to a plan of the same taken by S. P. Fuller, dated June 30th
1824. Ordered, that the committee of the district carry the
same into effect, by causing the buildings to be removed accord-
ingly.

Adjourned to Wednesday next, four o'clock, p. m.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Wednesday, the twenty second day of July, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present—

The Mayor, Aldermen Oliver, Kendall, Hall & Lewis.

City Solicitor

chosen.

(Agreeably to assignment), the board proceeded by ballot to the choice of an Attorney & Solicitor for the City, the current year, and the votes being taken it appeared that the Hon. John Pickering was unanimously chosen.

Sent down for concurrence

Came up concurred.

Constables

chosen

The following named persons were nominated and appointed Constables, they to give bonds as the Law directs viz: James Perkins, Elisha Cocheland, Jonathan Prescott, Thomas Holden, George Reed, Horatio Bap, Ebenezer Prescott, Elisha V. Glover, Ebenezer Shute, George Robinson, James Pierce, Asa Prouty, Mitchell Lincoln, Michael Kiley, John Henry, Solomon B. Morse, William Sinsmaer, Abraham Lansing, Edmund Chisole, George Jones, Willard Blough, Perastus Clap, & William Andrews.

Eddy

(Ordered, that the remonstrance of Gas works, David Eddy, and others, against the Gas works, be laid on the table).

Order of the Common Council 248.

requesting the Mayor and Aldermen to appoint a suitable Gentleman to deliver an oration on the next anniversary of American Independence, wherein shall be considered the manners, feelings and principles which led to that auspicious event.

Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

Order of the Common Council Mer. Whf. Cap.

authorizing the Mayor and Aldermen to pay to the Mercantile Wharf Corporation, such part of the sum of five thousand dollars, on account of the balance that will be due to said Corporation on the fulfilment of their contract, made September 10. 1827, as may be consistent with their views of the equity and circumstances of the case: Provided however, that a sum be reserved by the said Mayor & Aldermen sufficient to ensure the fulfilment of the said contract to the latter, whenever the Mayor and Aldermen shall order the same to be thus fulfilled: Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and thereupon ordered, that the Mayor be authorized to draw his warrant upon the Treasury, for the payment of four thousand two hundred dollars, in part of the sum of five thousand dollars, which will be due to said Corporation on the fulfilment of their contract; but with an express understanding that eight hundred dollars, being the balance thereof, shall be retained by the City until the contract shall be entirely completed, to their full satisfaction.

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249. by the finishing of Second street; And the further understanding, that upon neglect of the said Corporation to complete their contract as aforesaid, in the space of ten days after notice from the board of Aldermen, the same may be done under the order of said board, and the expense thereof deducted from said sum retained, the surplus, if any, to be paid to said Corporation.

Doane
street.

Ordered, that the Mayor be & he is hereby authorized and requested, in behalf of this board, to write to Elisha Parks, and offer to build the north wall of his store at the corner of Doane street, and Tilly street, in a workmanlike manner, with faced bricks above the lower story, which they will replace with stone, and carry up the whole store one story higher than it now is, making it four stories high, building on a new roof as the old one is decayed. They will also if said Parks wishes, take down the front on Tilly street and build it a new stone for the first story, and faced bricks for the outer course of all above. And they will cause the same to be finished inside & divided into apartments, agreeably to any reasonable plan suggested by said Parks. The above offer to be made, on condition that said Parks shall accept to the same within ten days.

Market Watch.

Samuel B. Mearns and Daniel Davis
nominated and appointed Market Watchmen.

Petition of Aaron Corey, and 250.

others, occupants of the fruit and vegetable stalls within the Corey Market house, praying, that persons may be prohibited from vending those articles from carts and wagons in North and South Market streets. Read and committed to the committee on the Market, to consider & report.

Petition of Nathan Bacon, pray- Bacon, ing, that a new common sewer may be laid in Eliot street, Eliot street, between Pleasant and Warren streets. Read and thereupon ordered, that public notice be given, to all persons interested to appear before this board, on Wednesday, next, four o'clock P. M. and show cause, if any they have, why said sewer should not be laid as prayed for, and the expense thereof apportioned upon those whose estates shall be benefited thereby, according to law.

Ordered, that the Mayor be Alger authorized and requested to write to Cyrus Alger, Esquire, to forbid his proceeding in building a wharf, which he has commenced at South Boston, near the Tree Bridge: Enjoining him forthwith to remove the piles which he has already driven there.

Application of Oliver Pettigro, Pettigro for a license to exhibit a learned Goat, at No. 233, Leaned Goat Ann street, for a few weeks. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and Wells, to consider and report.

Piedmont &
Cedar streets.

The City Marshal states, that he has given notice to twenty three owners, respectively, whose drains connect with the common sewers in Piedmont & Cedar streets, to cause the nuisances arising from the deposits made by those sewers, to be removed by carrying out the same, across the flats on the back bay, so called; otherwise the City will order it to be done, and the expense thereof charged to the proprietors of the said drains. Read and laid upon the table.

Cooper

The committee of the northern district recommend, that the Mayor be authorized to write to Isaac Cooper, Esq. to remove the wooden parapet wall which has hitherto been over the Mill Creek, adjoining to his estate on Ann street.

Licenses.

Ordered, that the City Clerk, prepare and lay before this board, at the next meeting thereof, the whole number of persons licensed, as Innholders, and victuallers from July 1822 to July 1829, stating the particular number licensed in each year separately, & also the number licensed for the current year, including those which have been renewed since the first Tuesday of the present month.

Fireman W. 4.

George Butler nominated & appointed fireman, for Ward No. 4.

Fireman W. 2.

James M. Morse, nominated and appointed fireman for Ward No. 2.

Petition of William Parker, 252.

and, proprietors and occupants of estates on and about the Parker
northern part of Purchase street, praying, that said street Purchase st.
may be reduced in that place, so as to make the appt.
of the same, more easy for horses and carriages to pass.

Read and committed to Aldermen Kendall & Russell,
to consider and report.

The board of accounts return, giving Gaol
an account of the state of the Gaol, in the County of Suffolk.
Read and filed.

The committee, to whom was re- Spinney
ferred the application of Mark Spinney, for a license to ex-
hibit a strange fish at No. 25 Ann street, reported, that
the prayer of said petition be granted.

Read and accepted.

Ordered, that the Superintendent Theatre
of lamps, cause the lamp at the corner of Tremont School Lamp
streets to be lighted; also if no objection be made on the part of
the Proprietors of the Tremont Theatre, to cause one of their
lamps to be lighted, taking that one which is equi distant
from School street to the lamp now lighted south of the
Theatre.

(Adjourned) to Wednesday next, four o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Wednesday the twenty ninth day of July, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present-

The Mayor - and the whole board of Aldermen except Aldermen Armstrong and Wells.

Licenses

The City Clerk, agreeably to an order passed at the last meeting, laid before the board, a list of the number of licenses granted to Innholders, victuallers, retailers and confectioners from July 1822 to July 1829, determining the number granted in each year. Also those which have been renewed and taken out since the first day of July, 1829. Read and laid upon the table.

Pickering

The Mayor communicated a letter which he had received from the Hon. John Pickering, declaring his acceptance of the Office of Attorney and Solicitor for the City, to which he had been elected by the City Council.

Read and sent down

Land & flats

near the Market. Whereas there are certain unsettled claims, existing between the City and others, relating to the lands and flats lying in the cove near the City wharf, including all the lands and flats between the Long wharf on the south, the Mercantile Wharf Corporation on the north, the channel on the east, and the City lands on the west, and as it is

desirous

desireable, said claims should be amicably settled; therefore. 251.

Ordered, that Messrs. Waters, S. H. Williams, Eveleth, James and Bigelow, with such as the board of Aldermen may join, be a committee, with full power to adjust and settle any or all the matters in difference, in relation to the premises, on principles of justice and equity. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred; and the Mayor, Aldermen Loring and Hall are joined.

Ordered, that the sum of three Appropriation. hundred dollars, be and the same is hereby added to the appropriation "for work on the ice bridge to South Boston, for completing the street connected therewith," and that an equal amount be and the same is hereby withdrawn from the appropriation for a reserved fund. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Ordered, that Aldermen Hall, Survey of flats
and Lewis be a committee, with authority, to have a survey taken of the flats and channel on the east side of the ice bridge from the northerly side of the north wharf, built by Messrs. Wright and Dano, to the pier on the east side of the bridge, shewing the width and course of the channel, the distance that the wharves project into the channel, from the end of the wharves to the flats opposite. Also, to ascertain the distance from the ancient highwater mark at Wheeler's point to the stone abutment of the bridge.

Petition of Nathaniel B. Vose;

Vose To purchase a piece of Neck land, on Suffolk street near Neck lands. being thirty four feet by eighty feet. Read and committed to the committee on Neck lands, to consider and report.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Bacon

It appearing to this board, that Eliot street notice has been given, on the petition of Nathan Bacon, to have a common sewer laid in Eliot street, between Eleanor and Warren streets, and no person appearing to object. It is therefore ordered, that the same be committed to Aldermen Hall and Lewis, with full power, to cause the same to be done if they shall judge it expedient.

Samuel

Boston July 28. 1829. It is agreed

Wagon St.

between James Hall, and Winslow Lewis, a committee appointed by the Mayor and Aldermen on the one part, and Isaac Samuel, to submit the demand for damages which he has against the City, to damages, in taking his land, removing his building, for the purpose of widening Marion street, to the determination of Messrs. Richard Hills, Jacob Bacon, Calvin Knowlton, and Benjamin Brown, the report of them, or the major part of them to be final.

We the undersigned have unanimously agreed, that the City of Boston, pay the said Samuel for damages, labour, and materials in repairing his house in

Mason street, one hundred, thirteen dollars and eleven cents. 256.

And for land taken for the benefit of the City, fifty six dollars and sixty three cents, amounting in the whole to one hundred sixty nine dollars, and seventy four cents. And the City is to pay the expense of reference, being twenty dollars.

Richard Hills

Jacob Bacon

Calvin Knowlton

Boston, July 28th 1829.

Beri Brown

Read and accepted, & ordered, that the money be paid accordingly.

Petition of L. B. Bapett, Milford, Bapett & Howes, Junior, for the Boston, and New York dispatch line, City Mass. of packets, to hire the City wharf, if the City Council shall conclude to lease the same. Read and committed to the committee on building a wharf on the City flats, east of the Market, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Petition of John W. Adan, as he is Guardian of Mary W. Bordman, a minor, praying, that the house at the corner of Portland and Hanover streets, which the board has ordered to be cut off on the first day of September, next, for the purpose of widening Hanover street may be suspended until next season. Read & committed to Aldermen Kendall & Russell, to consider and report.

The committee on the donation
 Mechanics Mag. to the City of the "Mechanics Magazine" made by Admiral
 Sir Isaac Coffin Report, that the numbers ought to be bound
 in three volumes be deposited in the apprentices library, subject
 to the future order of the board of Aldermen. Read and
 accepted, and ordered accordingly.

Wentworth

(Ordered, that the Mayor be author-
 ized to agree with Philip Wentworth to appoint referees to
 settle the damages for his demands against the City for
 land, which he claims in Greenough alley.

Salem street

drain.

(Ordered, that the usual notice, in
 relation to common sewers, be given, to the abutments or owners
 of estates bounding on that part of Salem street, northerly from
 Salem place to Prince street, to appear on Wednesday next,
 at four o'clock, P.M. to show cause, why a common sewer
 should not be laid, at the above mentioned places and the
 expense thereof apportioned upon those benefited thereby.

Horses

(Ordered, that the committee on the
 burial grounds, be instructed, to consider and report upon the
 expediency of removing from the Granary burial ground, the house,
 in which the horses are kept, and of providing some
 suitable place, for their safe keeping.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Ordered, that the committee 258.

of the northern district cause the bottoms of Foster street, Foster & Hanover
and Hanover streets, to be fenced across, following the course of the streets.
of the capstans, and to place gates therein.

Josiah Baldwin, nominated, Constable,
and appointed a Constable, upon his giving bonds, as the law
directs.

Joseph L. Richards nominated, Fireman N^o 12.
and appointed a fireman of Ward N^o 12.

Ordered, that the Mayor and Broad street.
Alderman Russell, be a committee, with full power to make
such arrangements as they may deem expedient, the present
season, in providing a place of deposit, for such of the
Inhabitants of Broad street, who have no vaults; pro-
vided on the premises in which they dwell for their ac-
commodation.

Ordered, that the Constables Constables.
bonds be referred to the Mayor, with full power to decide
upon the sufficiency of the bondsmen, of their respective
wards.

The auditor's exhibit of the pre Auditor's
sent state of the appropriations, for the current financial exhibit.
year. Came up from the Common Council. Read, & laid upon
the table.

Adjourned to Wednesday next, four o'clock, P. M.

259.

(At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Thursday the thirtieth day of July, Anno Domini, 1829. by special notice.

Present.

The Mayor, Aldermen Spring, Kendall, Hall, Russell, and Lewis.

Tremont, Beacon

School streets levelling and macadamizing Tremont street, in front of the Hotel, and Beacon and School streets, at and near their junction with said Tremont street, be suspended until the further order of this board.

Adjourned.

(At a special meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Saturday, the first day of August, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present.

The Mayor, Aldermen Oliver, Spring, Kendall, Russell,

Guns firing

Ordered, that the Mayor be authorized to publish in the newspapers an extract from the ordinance prohibiting the firing of guns within the limits of the City.

Adjourned.

A meeting of the board of 260.

Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Wednesday, the fifth day of August, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Aldermen Armstrong and Wells.

Petition of Benjamin Kimball, Kimball & Beal and Samuel Beal, praying, that a common sewer be laid North Margin st. in North Margin street. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and Wells, to consider and report.

Communication of G. P. Sumner, Sheriff
Esq. Sheriff of the County of Suffolk, praying, that a separation or junction may take place between the Gaol and House of Correction. Read and committed to the committee on the Gaol and House of Correction, to consider and report.

The board reconsider the vote of Marcet & Baldwin
this board, accepting the report of the committee on the petition of Philip Marcet, and Aaron Baldwin, for a new common sewer in Essex street, so far as to commit the same to the committee of the District, with full power, to alter the direction of the common sewer in such way as to them may seem expedient.

William B. White, licensed as an Auctioneer.
Auctioneer, South Boston.

*P*etition of Joseph Smith, pray-
 ing, that a drain may be opened in Richmond street, be-
 tween Manover and Ann streets. Read, and committed to
 Aldermen Oliver and Wells, to consider and report.

Adan

The committee to whom was re-
 ferred the memorial of John R. Adan, Esq. Guardian of Wills
 M. Worsman, a minor, requesting that the resolve of the board
 of Aldermen to cut off apart a part of the estate belonging
 to his ward, might be postponed, ask leave to report, that
 they have had an interview with said guardian, by whom
 they were informed, that all the property of said minor, ex-
 cepting the estate in question, does not amount to more than
 two hundred dollars, which sum in his opinion is insuf-
 ficient to keep said building in repair; he has therefor con-
 cluded, that the estate must be sold as soon as circum-
 stances will permit. Your committee are sensible, that real
 estate is so much depressed at this time, that its value is
 generally considered but nominal, and that great sacrifices are
 made when paper sales have ~~recently~~ recently taken place;
 and considering also, that should said estate be cut off,
 on the first day of September, as the order now stands, the
 point must be rebuilt at considerable expense to the City,
 and should said guardian sell the estate next spring, the
 purchaser should soon rebuild, which is generally done in
 such cases, it is very probable, that the whole cost of re-
 building the point he would be a dead loss to the City.

For

For the foregoing considerations, your committee recommend 262.
that the execution of said resolve be postponed until the
first day of April, A.D. 1830, and no longer. All which
is respectfully submitted, by order of the com: Th^s Kendall.
(Read & accepted).

On the application of M^{rs} N. Edwards, Edwards
for payment for land taken to widen Salem street, in 1826, Salem street
the committee of the district report, that on examination of
the files, they find the annexed memorandum as follows, to wit,
"Memorandum of land taken by the committee of the district
with the approbation of the board of Aldermen, April, 1826,
situated at the corner of Salem & Richmond streets, con-
taining by survey of S. P. Fuller, Esq. one hundred, fifteen
and an eighth square feet, belonging to M^{rs} N. Edwards, &
valued by her at three dollars, her good." That M^{rs} Edwards
now proposes to submit the question of damages for so taking
her land to three impartial men, on her part proposing
S. P. Fuller, Esq. the City to choose one, and those two a
third, and from conversation which your committee have
had with most members of the board of Aldermen, as to the
cause of the delay, which has arisen in coming to the adjust-
ment of so trifling a concern, it appears to be found in the
fact of no distinct proposition ever having been made to the
City for an adjustment of the claim on the part of M^{rs}
Edwards, and that now having got the present proposal for a
reference, your committee recommend that it be so far met
as

263. as to name a referee on the part of the board, and thus have the business brought to a close, it being at all times, inexpedient to have such kind of outstanding claims existing against the City. In behalf of the committee,
H. A. Oliver.

Read and accepted, and the board nominated on its part Edmund Winchester, a referee, to settle the amount of damages.

Salem st.

Common sewer. It appearing to this board, that notice has been given, agreeably to the order, passed on Wednesday last, on the subject of opening and now laying a common sewer, in Salem street, between Salem place and Prince street. And now no person appearing to object, it is thereupon ordered, that said common sewer be laid, under the direction of the Superintendent of streets.

Davis

Hanover st. Ordered, that Isaac Davis be permitted to lower the common sewer in Hanover street, for the purpose of draining the cellars of his houses on said street, he paying the whole expense of the same, and the work to be done under the direction of the Superintendent of streets.

School dinner

Com.^{rs} Farnam and Ruggles be a committee of arrangements, for the annual visitation of the public schools, on the 19th instant, and that they cause a dinner to be provided in Faneuil Hall, and also cause cards of invitation to be sent to the Clergy and the

second

several gentlemen holding public offices in the City, and also 264.
such strangers visiting the City, as they may deem
proper.

The superintendent of streets Levinett & Second
gives notice; that the estate situated at the corner of Levinett streets
and Second streets, belonging to the heirs of the late Ezra Hyde,
projects about two feet into said Second street. Also the
estate adjoining the above on Second street, belonging to John
Mansfield, of Canton, projects about one foot into said Second
street. Read and thereupon ordered, that notices be given
to the owners of the above mentioned estates, to remove their
fences and buildings, and set them upon the true line of
the streets.

Ordered, that the former Cove near
note appointing a committee with full power to adjust & settle Market, com.
any, or all the matters in difference in relation to the lands &
flats lying in the cove near the City wharf, and the Long
wharf, be reconsidered, and this board, now concurs with the
following amendment at A, insert, "Provided, that the assent
of at least two thirds of the committee, manifested by their
hands and seals, shall be necessary to the validity of any
adjustment or settlement to be made, of the aforesaid claims.
And that Alderman Oliver be added to said committee."

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Petition

265.

Petition of John Greenwood, &

Greenwood others, praying, that special Constables may be appointed, for the purpose of quelling riots &c. occasioned by the noise of abandoned females, and those who visit them.

Constables

John Lushington, Nathaniel Trumbull, Otis Silston, William Biddle, John Howe, and Nathaniel Smith, were nominated and appointed special Constables.

Aldermen

The board reconsidered its former time of meeting vote, respecting the time of its meeting, and thereupon ordered, that the regular time of meeting shall be on Mondays, at four o'clock, P. M. until further order.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board 266.

of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the tenth day of August, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Wells.

Petition of Joseph Cotton, Jun. Cotton and others, praying that the drain in South street may be taken up and relaid, and also, that said street may be macadamized: Read, and thereupon ordered, that public notice be given to all persons interested to appear before that board, on Monday next, four o'clock P.M. and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

At the petition of Benjamin Kimball and Samuel Neal, praying that a common sewer may be laid in North Margin street to lead the water from the cellars and houses on Baldwin place. — Ordered, that public notice be given to all persons interested to appear before this board, on Monday next, four o'clock P.M. and show cause if any they have, why a common sewer should not be laid for the purpose aforesaid, and the expense thereof apportioned according to law on those who shall be benefited thereby.

Thomas J. Pelham nominated & Fireman appointed a fireman for Ward No. 4.

267.

Griggs
City Wharf
Edition of David R. Griggs
to hire the City wharf now building near the Market.
Road and committed to the committee appointed to
superintend the building, said Wharf, to consider and
report.
Sent down for concurrence.
Came up concurred.

Welles
Front st

(Communication from John Welles,
Esquire, stating, that the drain lately constructed across
Front street, the outlet of which has been made into
and upon his land, and praying, that the City gov-
ernment would not consider the same as a matter of
right, and that upon any future application of his or those
who shall hold under him, and who may have an inter-
est therein, that the same may be stopped up, & prevent
any disadvantage which may result in his supposed ac-
quiescence in the same. Read and thereupon ordered, that
said application be entered on the records of this Board.

Physicians
Oysters

Memorial of sundry Physicians of
the City, in relation to the sale of Oysters, between the
fifth day of July, and first day of September, giving
their opinion, that they are not unhealthy, and that they
frequently prescribe them as an article of food to their pa-
tients during those prohibited months. Whereupon they pray,
that such part of the ordinance regulating the sale of
fresh fish, which forbid the sale of oysters during any
month

month of the year may be repealed. Read and the 268.
~~report~~ prayer thereof granted - And an additional ordinance
regulating the sale of fresh fish, being read, passed.

Sent down for concurrence

Came up concurred, incorporated with another ord. vide pa. 284.

Ordered, that the Mayor, be Alger
requested to notify Cyrus Alger to remove the piles &
frame work, placed by him in the channel on the west
side of the ice bridge, and that unless the same be done
he cause the same to be presented to the Municipal
Court, as a nuisance, and to request the aid of the
County Attorney and City Solicitor in prosecuting the same.

Ordered, that ~~the~~ places ~~to~~ be assign Broad street
ed on the westerly side of Broad street, for the carts, wagons regulation as to
and carriages which resort to that street for the sale of pro Carts &c.
visions, vegetables and other purposes, and that the same be
placed in one line, and that no cart, wagon or carriage
be permitted to stand in or occupy any other place than
such as shall be assigned, and that the City Marshal under
instructions from the Mayor be directed to carry this regu-
lation into effect.

Ordered, that the Superintendent of streets Washburn
cause to be laid the common sewer in Charter street, to lead into Charter st.
the sewer in Foster street, agree to the petition of James
Washburn, others, and the report of the committee upon the
same.

269.

Ordered, that the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to furnish fuel for the several School houses and other public buildings.

Rainford
Island,

Ordered, that the committee on the Quarantine, enquire into the expenditure of the money granted for the purpose of building a cottage on Rainford Island, and report what it is necessary further to do in relation to the same.

Constables
Civil

Ordered, that in all cases where special constables shall be appointed, certificates to them issued will be dishonored, unless a special order be passed to the contrary.

Wright & Co.

Ordered, that Aldermen Hall & Lewis, be a committee to appear before the committee of the Legislature, who are appointed to meet in the Senate Chamber on the tenth day of September, next, on the petition of Wm. Wright & Co. & Co. and that they be instructed to represent and as far forth as they may be able to protect the rights & interests of the City, against the prayer of said petition and that the City Solicitor be also requested to attend said the said committee with his council and advice.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of 270.

Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Tuesday the eleventh day of August, Anno Domini, 1829. Specially called by the Mayor.

Present.

The Mayor. Aldermen Oliver, Kendall, Hall, Armstrong, Russell and Lewis.

Petition of Jacob Hall, and more than Hall fifty other qualified voters, praying, "That a general meet. Gen. meeting of the Citizens may be called in Faneuil Hall, without delay, to take into consideration the filthy condition of the Mill Creek, so called, by which the health and comfort of the residents in that vicinity are greatly incommoded, and will continue to be so, while it is suffered to remain in its present state. And to adopt such measures in relation thereto, as may be deemed expedient." Read and thereupon ordered, that a warrant be issued for such meeting on Monday, next, ten o'clock. A. M.

Adjourned to Monday, next, four o'clock p. m.

A meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the seven-teenth day of August, Anno Domini, 1820.

Present -

The Mayor, Aldermen Oliver, Spring, Kendall, Hall, Amos and Russell.

White

Petition of Samuel White, and others, Methodist ally, praying, that the name of Methodist Alley, may be changed to Hanover avenue. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and Welles, to consider and report.

Pitts

Petition of William Pitts, and others, Chatham st. by James C. Morrill, Esq. their attorney, praying, that the City would convey to them a small piece of land situated on the west side of their estate in exchange for a piece taken by the City to widen Chatham street. Read and committed to Aldermen Kendall and Russell, to consider and report.

Seamen's friends

The committee to whom was referred the communication of the Directors of the Seamen's friend society, report, that said Directors have consented to set back their Church on a line drawn according to the plan of said street taken by Mr. Stephen P. Fuller, dated May, 21st 1825, your committee have ascertained, that the lot of land cost said Directors at the rate of one dollar per square foot, the committee believe, that said Directors would

would be willing to receive for the land taken into the street 272.
the same price per foot, which it cost them, the number
of feet of land taken from said lot is one hundred and
eighty four square feet. The committee recommend, that there
be allowed and paid to said Directors one hundred & eighty
four dollars, in full compensation for all the land taken
from their lot, situated on the westerly side of Purchase
street, when said Directors shall have executed & delivered
to the City a good and sufficient deed of said land.

Thos Kendall, for the committee.

(Read and accepted, and thereupon resolved, that the Purchase st.
public safety and convenience require, that Purchase street widened
be widened, and the same is hereby laid out and widened
in manner following viz: Beginning at the northerly side
of land belonging to said society, at the distance of thirty
four feet six inches, from the easterly side of said street,
then running southerly, parallel with the easterly side of said
street and thirty four feet distant therefrom about fifty five
feet to the northeasterly corner of the brick houses belonging
to the heirs of William H. Bordman, deceased, then run-
ning northerly by the present line of said street to land
of William Stearns, about fifty five feet; then westerly by
land of said Stearns, four feet two inches to the place
of beginning, taking one hundred and eighty four square
feet of land from said Stearns' society, to widen said
street according to a plan taken by A. L. Fuller, as
above mentioned. —

273.

Petition of Edmund Freeman

Freeman and others, praying, that the ordinance regulating the sale of fresh fish may be so far modified as to repeal the provision which requires that Salmon and Bass, shall not be sold or landed until the same shall be cleansed of their entrails. Read and committed to the committee on the Market to consider and report.

Cotton

South street. It appearing that notice has been given on the petition of Joseph Cotton, Junior and others, praying, that a common sewer in South street be taken up and repaired, and the street macadamized. And now after a full hearing of the persons interested, it is thereupon ordered, that the same be committed to Aldermen Hall & Lewis, to consider and report.

Kimball & Beal

North Margin st. It appearing to this board, that notice has been given on the petition of Benjamin Kimball and Samuel Beal, that a common sewer be laid in North Margin street. And now no one appearing to object — thereupon ordered, that the same be committed to the Mayor, Aldermen Oliver and Wells to consider & report.

Pennison

Southwick st. Petition of Timothy L. Pennison, praying to be remunerated for damage done to his estate on Southwick street in consequence of the level of said street being reduced. Read & committed to Aldermen Loring & Armstrong, to consider & report.

Petition of Horace Dupree; 274.

and others, praying, that the pump in Well street may be put in order and placed under the care and superintendence of a committee, for the purpose of supplying the inhabitants of its neighbourhood with water. Read and committed to Aldermen Kendall & Russell, to consider and report.

The proposition of the proprietors Chapel burying of tombs in the Chapel burying ground fronting on Tremont Grand wall street, to contribute eleven dollars and fifty cents each tomb for the purpose of erecting a new wall on said street. Read and committed to the Mayor, Aldermen Loring and Armstrong, with full power to erect such wall as they may deem most expedient.

The committee on the petition of Parker William Parker, and others, praying, that the northerly section of Purchase street may be so graduated as to open the ascent from Broad street. Report, That in their opinion, the reasons set forth in said petition in favor of the alteration of the level of said street, are substantially correct, and demand the serious and deliberate consideration of the City authorities. The committee find, that about six years ago, the surface of said street was considerably reduced, and the street paved, and is in good repair; at that time several of the abutments were subjected to considerable expense for new side walks, additional steps, repairs of their cellar doors, walls,

245. walks &c. It is to be regretted, that when the former alt.
Parker's alteration was made, the street had not then been reduced, from
Purchase St. two to three feet more at its highest summit, which might
have been done, at but little if any more expense to the
City or individuals. The proprietors of five buildings, which
will be most affected by the alterations, contemplated to be made
in said street, have signed said petition, two of that number
being widows, one owning two, the other one estate, wish their
names erased from it, as in their opinion, their estates will
be much injured, should said alteration take place, & they
affirm, that they signed said petition, under a misapprehen-
sion of the subject. Should the projected street from
Broad to Cha. street, be constructed, the improvement of Pur-
chase street would be of far less importance, as the greater
part of the heavy traffic would pass through the new street.
Your committee, however are of opinion, that should the
project of the new street aforesaid be abandoned, or should
it not be commenced early the next succeeding summer,
the improvement prayed for, ought to be made in Purchase
street, and the cost of the side walks &c. of the buildings be-
longing to Mr. Brewer, & Mr. Wyman should be borne by
the City. The paper enclosed marked A, being a motion
made by the truckmen and cartmen, in which they
offer to take away all the superfluous earth & fill of expense
to the City, the subscriptions therein contained amounting to
two hundred & eighty four loads, taking into consideration also,
the number and respectability of the signers of said petition

is in the opinion of the committee, conclusive evidence, that 276.
the public safety and conveniences, do require, that S.^d Street,
should be graduated & improved as prayed for, by said
petitioners. But nevertheless for the reasons before stated,
and believing that the appropriation for such objects is so
far exhausted, that it is insufficient to meet such ex-
penditure. The committee therefore recommend, that the
further consideration of the subject be referred to the next
succeeding board of Aldermen. All which is respect-
fully submitted, for the committee. Th.^s Kendall.

Read and accepted.

Copy of a summons in favor of Preston
Remember, Preston, against the City, for seven hundred, eleven, 11.
dollars, fifty cents, money had and received, returnable to the City
Court of Common Pleas at record, in the County of Mil-
dew, on the second monday of September next.

Also another in favor of the inhabitants of Danvers Danvers Ach.
against the City, for one hundred, twelve, dollars, fifty v.
cents, for the support of sundry paupers, returnable to the City
Court of Common Pleas, at Newburyport, in the County
of Essex on the third monday of September, next. Read
and thereupon ordered, that the same be referred to the City
Solicitor, with instructions to attend to the same before said
Courts. -

The committee, on the petition of Welles, State
John Welles, Esq. for leave to erect arches under the sidewalk Washington St.
in

277. in front of his building at the corner of State & Washington streets, reported, that the prayer of said petition be granted, he paying the usual price. Read & accepted.

Phelps
Water St.

Petition of Abner Phelps, and others, that a common sewer be laid in Water street. Read and committed to Aldermen Kendall & Russell; to consider and report.

Miller
houses.

Application of Peter Miller, to be licensed to exhibit his wooden or flying horses in a circus in Flagg alley. Read and committed to Aldermen Kendall and Russell; to consider and report.

Holland,

Harvard St.

Thomas Holland gives notice, that he is about building on Harvard street, and praying, that the line of said street may be settled, before he commences building. Read and committed to Aldermen Hall & Lewis, to consider and report.

Rainford Island
cottages.

Ordered, that the committee on Quarantine be allowed to expend a further sum of three hundred dollars, to complete the cottages on Rainford Island; to be drawn from the appropriation for repairs of public buildings.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

(H) a meeting of the board 278.

of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday the
twenty fourth day of August, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

On the petition of Nathaniel D. Vose,
Vose, offering to purchase a lot of land bounded on Dedham Neck Land,
street, and Suffolk street, the committee on Neck lands
report the following order. H. G. Ellis, Chairman, per order.

Ordered, That the committee on Neck lands, be &
hereby are authorized to contract with Nathaniel D. Vose,
for the sale of a certain piece of land at the corner of
Dedham street and Suffolk street, bounded eighty feet on
Dedham street, and sixty four feet on Suffolk street, at a
price not less than seventeen cents per square foot, to be
paid at such times and secured in such mode as may
be agreed by said committee with said Vose. And the
Mayor is hereby authorized to make and execute in behalf
of the City all such deeds and conveyances of the prem-
ises, pursuant to any contract to be made as aforesaid,
which may be necessary and proper for giving effect to
the same. Read and accepted, and the order
passed.

Sent down for concurrence
came up concurred.

279.

Newman offering to exchange certain lots of land owned by him, Neck lands. for certain lots of land owned by the City. The committee on Neck lands report the following order, which is submitted.

M. G. Otis, Chairman

Ordered, that the committee on Neck lands be & hereby are authorized to treat and contract with Henry Newman, or his assigns, for the exchange of a lot of land at the corner of Washington and Dedham streets, and a lot of land at the corner of Norfolk street and Dedham street, both being on the northerly side of Dedham street, being the property of the City of Boston, for two lots of land on Washington street the property of said Newman, purchased by him of the City, on the twenty ninth day of November, in the year 1825, upon such terms and conditions as the committee may be thought equitable and expedient, and the Mayor is hereby authorized to make & execute in behalf of the City all such deeds and conveyances of the premises, pursuant to any contract or agreement to be made with said Newman or his assigns, as may be necessary & proper for giving effect to the same. Read and accepted the order passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Mayor's message
City wharf

To the City Council,
Gentlemen.

The City wharf is rapidly advancing towards a state fit for occupation, and various applications

Applications have been made to me, informally with a view to 280.

Discover what disposition of the property the City government City M^{rs} would probably make of it. From such information as I have been able to acquire, the belief is entertained, that the true interest of the City would be promoted, by placing the wharf under the care of a wharfinger, to be managed in the mode adapted by the proprietors of other wharves - whose sagacity in similar concerns is thus found by experience.

The Wharfingers of the principal wharves in that neighbourhood are paid by a commission on all they collect, & the net amount of the fees for wharfage and dockage is paid over to the owners. I respectfully recommend a similar system - any other would be subject to uncertainty.

The income cannot be calculated with precision. Probably no person would hire it without a moral certainty of profit, which may as easily be taken by the City to its own account, and indeed if it should hereafter be found most convenient to lease the wharf, an experiment first made by the City itself, would seem to be desirable, as a mode of furnishing the best estimates on which a future lease might be predicated. L. G. M^{rs}.

Read and committed, to the committee appointed, to build a wharf on the City's flats eastward of Townsend Hall Market, to consider and report.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The committee on the petition of
 Dupee, Horace Dupee, and others, praying that the pump in West
 Well street, should may be put in repair, and pledging themselves to
 keep the said well in repair in future, on the conditions
 therein proposed; have considered the subject, and ask leave
 to report, that for the reasons set forth in said petition,
 your committee are of opinion that the prayer of said
 petitioners ought to be granted, and recommend, that the
 annexed resolves be passed by the board. All which is
 respectfully submitted, for the committee. Thos. Wendall.

Resolved; that the pump situated in West street,
 be repaired; and a house or shed be erected over the
 same, said shed to be not more than seven feet long &
 four feet wide; provided, however, that the whole cost of
 said house, and repairs of said pump, shall not exceed
 twenty five dollars.

Resolved, that Horace Dupee, Levi Dams, Isaac D.
 Richards, James W. Gates, and George Luther, by themselves or
 any person which they may appoint, shall have power &
 authority to take care of said well, pump and building
 over the same until otherwise ordered, by the Mayor &
 Aldermen; and they shall also have liberty to assess up
 on and collect, from all such persons as may use water
 from said well, or the proprietors of estates benefited there-
 by, such sum or sums of money as they may deem
 reasonable and just, for the express purpose of keeping said
 well, pump and building in good repair, and also to pay

the person whom they may appoint to superintend, said, 282.
well and pump.

(Resolved, that the said Horace Dupee, Levi Dunn,
Isaac D. Richards, James W. Gates, and George Luther, be
directed to make return to the Mayor and Aldermen,
once in three months of all moneys received & expended
on the premises, and that these regulations be subject to
be revised, amended, or repealed at the discretion of this
board. Read & accepted, and the resolves passed.

The committee on the petition of Samuel White
of Samuel White, and others, to have the name of Methodist, Hanover avenue
alley changed to Hanover avenue, reported that the prayer
of said petition be granted, and that the said alley be
hereafter known and called Hanover avenue. Read & accepted.

(Application of Joseph Woodruff; Woodruff
for a license to exhibit forty live rattle snakes, at Cranbro's Rattlesnakes
Tavern, Cambridge street. Read and the prayer thereof granted,
on paying therefor one dollar per week.

Ordered, that the sum of one Howe
hundred dollars, be paid from the amount appropriated for
the fire department to Charlotte Howe, widow of Thomas
Howe, Junior, deceased, lately a member of engine com-
pany No 10, whose death was occasioned by a fall, at a
fire in Broad street, on the ninth day of December last,

283. while in discharge of his duty, to have the same to her own use.

Fitzgerald.

(Ordered, that the sum of fifty dollars be paid from the amount appropriated to the fire department to Eleanor Bryant, for the use and benefit of Mary Catharine Fitzgerald, the only daughter and child of Joseph Fitzgerald, deceased, who lost his life in consequence of exertions at a fire in Dock Square (which happened on the fourth day of February last past, in the discharge of his duty, as an engine man). It appearing to the satisfaction of this Board, that the said Eleanor has for some years past assumed the care and support of said Mary Catharine and still intends to support and educate said child.

Mill Creek

Ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen, Spring and Armstrong, with such as the Common Council may join, be a committee with full powers to treat and agree with the proprietors of estates adjoining the Mill Creek, for laying a common sewer through the same, and filling up said creek, and dishorsing of the land when filled up, by sale or otherwise, upon such terms and conditions as may be deemed equitable and expedient. (A) Sent down for concurrence: Came up concurred, with an amendment, also inserted provided, that the report of at least of two thirds of the com^{ee} manifested by their signatures shall be necessary to the validity of any adjustment or settlement to be made as aforesaid. Messrs. Everett, Wilson, Mearns, and Wm Parker are joined on the part of the Common Council.

Read and concurred

Petition of Ebenezer Kenfield, 281.

for a licence, for a band of music to play at Washington Kenfield gardens, and that he may sell tickets of admission to Washington gardens, may the expense of the same. Read, and committed to Aldermen Loring and Armstrong, to consider & report.

The committee on the application of Peter Miller, for a licence to exhibit wooden or wooden horses flying horses at a building in Flagg alley, reported, that the same be granted.

Read and accepted.

Ordered, that the Mayor be authorized to sign in behalf of this board an agreement with Margaret C. Batterman, to recover a demand which said Margaret has against the City, for damage for land and building taken to widen Essex street. Batterman
Essex St.

An ordinance repealing in part Fresh fish.
an ordinance regulating the sale of fresh fish, passed.
Sent down for concurrence.
Same up concurred.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday the thirty first day of August, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen except Alderman Kendall.

Holmes
Oliver st.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Abiel Holmes, and two others, praying that the pump which has been removed from the well in Oliver street, might be replaced, at the expense of the City, or a suction laid to take the water from said well into the cellar of said Holmes, one of the petitioners, having considered the subject, and heard the petitioners ask leave to report, that the well in question, as far as can be ascertained, was placed in said Oliver street about fifty years ago, by some person or persons now unknown; at what time said street became the property of the town of Boston, the committee did not consider important to be ascertained, as the fact is unquestionable, now committee consider, that whoever constructed said well, or under whatever circumstances, it might have been then placed, that when the street was accepted by the town, said well being in the street, became the property of the town, and the Selectmen had an unquestionable right to discontinue the same at their pleasure; in the summer of 1828, it was ordered by the Mayor & Aldermen, that

said

said street should be altered, and bowed; this pump stood 286.

nearly in the centre of the present side walk, and according to the best information, the committee of that district, for Oliver St. the time being, could obtain it had not been used for nearly or quite two years, prior to its removal, why said well has become disused is very evident, when it is considered that the necessity which existed at the time when it was placed in said street has long since ceased by the multiplication of wells in that neighbourhood; one proprietor of an estate on that street has within a few years had sunk a well in his yard, which affords an inexhaustible supply of excellent water, and is acceptable at all times by the neighbours, and which is more convenient to a majority of them, than the former well would be, was it reopened, and it is very questionable, whether the said pump would have ever been repaired, had it been suffered to remain. It will be recollected, that there were but three signers to said petition representing three dwellings, and one of that number has a well of good water on his own premises, it appears therefore, that two estates only are to be benefited should said pump be restored. For the reasons above stated, your committee are of opinion, that the said pump ought not to be replaced, as prayed for in said petition, the committee however recommend, that leave be granted, said petitioners, to take a suction or suction, from said well, provided it be done at their own expense; and provided also, that said suction shall be laid in the side walk easterly of the

28th: The edge stones, which separate the easterly side walk from the cart way of said street, and the person or persons for whose benefit said sections may be laid, or whoever may order the same to be executed, shall be held as being obliged to put the side walk in as good order and repair as it now is, or may be at the time when the work shall be commenced, and at their own expense. - Respectfully submitted, for the committee. W^m Kendall.

Read and accepted.

Licensed houses

W.

(Ordered, that every licensed Innkeeper, victualer, confectioner and retailer, do forthwith cause to be placed over his door, his name, and the words "Licensed Innkeeper," "victualer," or otherwise, as the case may be, agreeably to the requisition of the law, and that within sixty days after the passing of this order, the City Marshal, pass through the said streets, lanes and alleys, note all persons who shall have omitted to comply with said requirement, and that he cause the same to be prosecuted for a breach of the license law, accordingly, and that this order be published in the usual papers, the term of thirty days, for the due government of all concerned. -

Hook Ladder

C.

Petition of the Hook Ladder company, praying that the members may be allowed cars. Read and committed to the committee on the fire department to consider and report.

Petition of Daniel Baxter, 288.

and others, praying leave to widen the sidewalk on the north side of South Bennett street, at their own expense: Read and committed to Aldermen Hall and Lewis, to consider and report.

Application of Oliver Pettigru Pettigru for a license to exhibit a learned goat in Washington. Learned goat garden. Read and the prayer thereof granted on paying therefor one dollar per week.

The committee on the application of Ebenezer Kenfield, for a license for a concert at Washington gardens, reported that the same be granted, to be revoked at the pleasure of this board, the petitioner to pay for the same five dollars. Read and accepted.

Ordered, that Aldermen Sorin & Franklin be a committee to examine the accounts of William Minot, Esq. Treasurer of the Franklin fund.

Ordered, that Aldermen Kendall & Sun dial Russell be a committee with full powers to place a sun dial belonging to the City in such place as they may deem most proper.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock. P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the seventh day of September, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole Board of Aldermen:

Mill Dam
School.

Ordered, that Aldermen Loring and Armstrong, be a committee to carry into effect, the resolve which passed the City Council on the eighth day of April last, authorizing the erection of a School-house, near the Mill Dam, and within the limits of the City, provided the same can be done, at a cost not exceeding four hundred dollars, as expressed in said resolve, in conformity with the offer made by the committee of the Boston and Roxbury Mill Corporation. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council joined on its part Messrs Goodhue, Danforth and Gould. -

Curtis
Ann St.

On the application of Samuel Curtis, to have the lines and level of a lot in Ann street, on which he intended in the course of the season, to erect a brick store, your committee ask leave to report, that in proceeding to act in the premises, it was found, that the widening of Ann street had been commenced by a former board of Aldermen, and must be followed up by setting Mr. Curtis on to the projected line, and which would take from him a strip of land on Ann street twenty nine feet.

feet two inches in length and about five feet in depth, 290.
of said Curtis's lot, making about one hundred and fifty
square feet of land, and that Mr. Curtis is taken about a
like quantity in the rear and which is owned by the City,
as will more fully appear on recurrence to the accom-
panying plan of Mr. Fuller; but inasmuch as if any ar-
rangement of this kind is to be had, it becomes necessary
to have the concurrence of the other branch of the City
Council on the subject. Your committee therefore report the
following order. All which is respectfully submitted, in
behalf of the committee of the district. H. J. Oliver.

On the petition of Samuel Curtis, ordered, that
the Mayor and Aldermen be authorized to agree with
Samuel Curtis, to assign and convey to him, a piece of land
in the rear of his lot of land in Ann Street, in lieu of
exchange for the piece of land which may be adjudged
to be required by the public convenience and safety, for the
widening of Ann Street, in front of said Curtis's land,
to be taken therefrom, agreeably to the plan of S. P. Fuller
to make it conformable to the widening which has already
been made in the contiguous land on said Ann Street,
in full of all damages and demands by said Curtis on
the City. Read & accepted; and the order passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Ralph J. Linzee licensed to keep an Intel. Intel^{ce} office.
ligence office, Federal Street.

Petition of William Minot, &c.

Minot and others, owners and occupants of dwelling houses bounding on a street leading from Spruce to Charles street, praying that said street may be accepted, and hereafter known and called Wall street. Read and committed to Aldermen Loring and Armstrong, to consider and report.

Gray,

Communication from John Gray,

Manover st. in relation to widening Manover street, by taking a piece of land and building at the corner of Portland street, belonging to the heirs of Thomas S. Borden, deceased. Read and committed to the Mayor, Aldermen Kendall and Russell, to consider and report.

Gray,

Ordered, that three hundred and

Manover st. seventy five dollars, be allowed and paid to John Gray in full for damage in taking his land and building to widen Manover street, adjoining the Baptist Church.

Salmon's

Petition of R. Salmon, to hire the Hall

view of Boston, over the new Market house, for the purpose of exhibiting a large view which he has painted of the City of Boston.

Read and committed to Aldermen Loring, Kendall & Wells, to consider and report.

House of Correction

The return of the Board of accounts of

the state of the House of Correction, and asking the atten-

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tion of the Mayor and Aldermen to various subjects con- 292.
nected with the police of that institution. Read and
committed to the Mayor, Aldermen, Kendall, Russell
and Wells, to ~~the~~ consider and report.

Petition of Thomas Adams, Adams
and others, occupants of stalls in the first section of Stalls in Market
Fanciful Hall Market, for a reduction of their rents. Read,
and committed to the Committee on the Market, to con-
sider and report.

Petition of Thomas Gould, for Gould,
leave to set a shop over the Mill brook, adjoining the Mill creek
bridge on Crook street, for the term of six months or more,
he agreeing to remove the same after thirty days notice.
Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver and Wells,
to consider & report.

Petition of Daniel Weld, and Weld
others, for the use of Fanciful Hall, on Tuesday evening, Fanciful Hall
next, for the purpose of a further public investigation of
the principles of Free Masonry. Read and the prayer
thereof granted.

Petition of the Warden, Inspectors Ward No. 11.
Clerk of Ward No. 11, praying that the meetings of the Inhabi-
tants of said Ward may hereafter be held in La Grange Hall.
Read & committed to Aldermen Hall and Lewis, to consider
and report.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock

P. M.

() a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday the fourteenth day of September, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Phelps

Water street.

The committee on the petition of Abner Phelps, and others, in which they state as their belief, that the common sewer was cut off near the sink by Merchants Hall; by reason of which, all the cellars in that neighbourhood, were filled with water, during the excessive rain on the thirtieth day of July, last, and praying that said sewer might be cleared out, or relaid, have considered the subject of said petition, & respectfully Report, That the committee have ascertained, that the said sewer is not cut off, as the petitioners supposed, but that the overflowing of the streets, and the consequent inundation of their cellars was caused by the unusual quantity of rain that fell at that time, and it being full sea, the sewer became completely closed, and being thus filled with water, it must of course continue to rise in the streets, until by the fall of the tide the outlet of the sewer became re-opened. The overflowing of Water street, however, is no new occurrence, for it has often happened for many years past, but perhaps at no time to such an extent, as on the thirtieth day of July, last, but it is well known, that the inlet to the sewer in said street, is

is not of sufficient capacity to take off the water, & when 294.
the extent and number of the streets, the over water of which Phelps-
must pass off through the present sewer, its incapacity must Water street.
be apparent to every one; the streets, and parts of streets, the
own water of which centres at Merchants hall; are as fol-
lows viz: Beacon street, commencing a few feet east of
Park street, a part of Tremont street, north and south of
School street, the whole of School street, all the courts, al-
leys and passages, south & north of the same; a part
of Washington street; south & north of Water Spring streets, and
the greater part of Devonshire street, north and south of Water
street; nearly the whole length of Congress street, including all
Water street. Your committee are of opinion, that the
public good could be greatly promoted, by the construction
of a drain and cist pool on the southerly side of said
street, in addition to that located on the northerly side,
and opposite thereto, by thus dividing the water, it will
effectually relieve the petitioners, who occupy estates on
Congress street, from the evil of which they complain.
Your committee believe, that it is not necessary to make
any repairs to the old drain, as the cost, in their opin-
ion, would be as great or greater, than the construction
of the new one, as above recommended, and at the same,
would not, so effectually, accomplish the object desired.
Your committee therefore recommend the adoption of the
annexed resolve. All which is respectfully submitted, for
the committee.

Th^s Kendall.

Resolved,

295.

Resolved, that the Superintendent of streets, be & he is hereby instructed to cause a suitable cist pool and drain to be constructed on the southerly side of Water street, directly opposite the present drain front of Merchants Hall; under the direction of the committee of the district. Read & accepted, and the resolve passed.

Engineers

Engine No. 4.

Communication from the board of Engineers of the fire department in relation to Engine company No. 4, upon the complaint of the foreman of said company against the members thereof for disobedience of orders, whereupon the Engineers recommend; that said company be discharged, as said board are satisfied from the evidence which has been adduced before them, that the public good requires that such course should be taken." Read & committed to the committee on the fire department, to consider & report.

May

street.

The committee on May street, respectfully Report, that they have caused estimates to be made of the cost of reducing said street in conformity to a plan drawn by S. P. Fuller, which is herewith submitted; said estimates including the expense of underpinning the several houses belonging to Mr. Redfern & Mr. Leighton, amount to the sum of eighteen hundred dollars, and for the purpose of carrying this alteration into effect recommend the passing the following order. John T. Loring, for the com.^{ee}

Ordered, that the level of May street be

be altered to conform to the plan thereof drawn by Stephen 296.
P. Fuller, and that the committee of the district in which
said street is situated be directed to carry said alteration
into effect. Read & accepted & ordered accordingly.

The standing committee on City Printer
accounts, having been charged, by an order of the City Council
passed on the 27th of July, last, to consider and report
upon the subject of appointing a City printer, for the year
ensuing, with power to advertise for proposals, in such way &
manner as they may think proper, and also, by an order
of the City Council passed on the 10th of July, last, "to enquire
and report the newspapers in which the City ordinances and
advertisements shall hereafter be published," have given these
several subjects their due consideration, and respectfully ask
leave to Report. This committee caused notice to be given,
by advertisement, that proposals would be received for executing
the printing of the City, for the ensuing year; in consequence
of which notice, five different proposals have been received for
the performance of the work. These proposals have been
carefully examined by the committee, and by the auditor;
and a comparison has been made between the several propo-
sals, by the bills of printing of the ensuing year should be
similar to that of the past years, the proposals of Mr. John H.
Eastburn, the present City printer, would be lower than any
other, with the exception of those offered by Messrs. Beals and
Homer. By adopting the proposals of Messrs. B. & H. the City
would

29th would make a saving on the whole year's printing of City Printer forty eight dollars and seventy one cents. The inconvenience of making a change, every year, of the person who (Advertisements is to do the printing, is so obvious, and the amount to be saved, in this case, so small, that the committee think proper to recommend to the Council, the reappointment of Mr. Eastburn, as City Printer. It is believed that the printing can always be executed with more facility, and more satisfaction to the government, by one who has become accustomed to the course of the business; but, if the system is to be adopted, that the printing shall invariably be given to the lowest proposal, some individual will be found ready in every year, to underbid, by a few dollars, the printer of the former year, and the City Council, and its officers, be thus subjected to the constant inconvenience of an annual change. The committee found that the ordinances and advertisements of the City, had been published in the Centinel, the Courier, the Patriot, and the Statesman, on a contract made some years since, at one half the regular charges for advertising. They have seen no reason to make any change in this course, except in the case of the Statesman, that paper having been discontinued as a daily paper. The committee have, therefore, under the order of the Council, appointed the Centinel, the Courier, the Patriot, and the Commercial Gazette, to publish the ordinances and advertisements of the City, at the same rates, as they have been published for several years past; and

there

They recommend that the officers appointed by the Council 298.
be directed to confine the publication of their advertisements
to these papers. With these views, the committee recommend
to the Council, to adopt the two annexed orders.

By order of the committee. John H. Loring, Chairman.
Ordered, that John H. Eastburn be and he
is hereby appointed City printer, for one year, from the
first of September instant, and until another is appoint-
ed in his stead.

Ordered, that the ordinances and advertise-
ments of the City be published in the Centinel, the Courier,
the Patriot, and the Commercial Gazette; and that the officers
of the City government be directed to confine their advertise-
ments exclusively to those papers.

Read and accepted, and the orders passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Whereas satisfactory information has New Orleans
been received by this board, of the prevalence of a malignant fever from to be
diseases called a fever to a very alarming degree at the Quarantined
port and City of New Orleans— Thereupon ordered, that all
vessels arriving from said New Orleans shall anchor at Minard
Island, and shall remain there until the Resident Physician
shall have an opportunity to examine such vessels their pas-
sengers officers and crews, and that the same shall be sub-
ject to the rules and regulations made and established for
the

299. The quarantine of vessels arriving in the Harbour of Boston, and the pilots at this port are hereby directed to give notice of this order to all such vessels, and that this order continue in force until the further order of this board.

Babcock

Petition of Abel Babcock, Voths, Market stall occupants of stalls in Faneuil Hall Market for a reduction of their rents. Read, and committed to the committee on the Market, to consider and report.

Page

Petition of James Page, to purchase the vacant lots on Temple street near the Bredon's shop house. Read and committed to the committee on the sale of the public lands, to consider and report.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred

Roe

Petition of Charles Roe, respecting a common sewer, which was laid by him in Washington street from Orange street, and praying that a new agreement may be laid for the purpose of reimbursing him for the amount of money which he has expended in constructing the same.

Ann & Margaret

streets.

Ordered, that Ann street be paved from Clark street to the entrance of Wilkinson & Pratt's wharf; also Margaret street; and that the several abutters of said streets be ~~and~~ notified, to lay their side walks according to law.

Petition of Thomas Gould, for 300.

pay for land taken from him to widen Salem street. Read, Gould, and committed to Aldermen Oliver and Wells, to consider Salem st. and report.

Henry Mosner nominated and ap. App. City C. h. appointed keeper of the City Court house.

Aaron Dow, licensed to keep an In. Intel. office: Intelligence office, corner of Federal and Milk streets.

Ordered that Alderman Wells be Gray. added to the committee on the petition of John Gray.

Ordered, - that the Mayor be au- Curtis
thorized to make and execute in behalf of the City, a deed, Ann st.
to Samuel Curtis, of a piece of land, in the rear of his
lot of land on Ann street, agreeably to the order passed
by the City Council, on the seventh instant.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

(At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday the twenty first day of September, Anno Domini, 1820.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except ~~the~~ Aldermen Armstrong and Russell.

Engine N^o 4.

The committee to whom was referred the statement of the board of Engineers, respecting the proceedings of the Engine company N^o 4, respectfully report, The complaint made by the foreman Francis Trask against the company, charges them with being in a state of mutiny towards him utterly refusing to obey his orders, given in discharge of his duty on many occasions. And with being noisy in the performance of their duty, in going to & returning from fires. The committee have received no evidence of an actual disobedience of the orders of the foreman, while in the discharge of duty, except only on one occasion, & that attended with many palliating circumstances which go far to excuse it. The company however have repeatedly practiced shouting & singing in returning from fires to the great annoyance of the Citizens & against the express orders of the Chief Engineer. But these instances of deviation from the true principles of discipline & duty, though entirely unexcusable & not to be tolerated appear to have resulted from indiscretion & excessive hilarity rather than from a spirit of insubordination. That the irregularity been confined to them an admonition in

this

This board might have been all that the occasion required; 302.

But the more grave & important matter to which the at Engine N^o 4.
tention of the Committee was called demands a more de-
tailed statement; & leads to a different result. The engine
N^o 4, sometime in June last, proceeding to a fire in the
neighbourhood of the City, broke down & was disabled. The
fireman hired a cart of a M^r. Watson, to bring it home,
on an agreement to give him five dollars. He paid one
dollar on account & was applied to for the balance before
he was in cash for it from the City. On the third of
August, he presented his account to the auditor for this &
other small debts, which being allowed in due course was
on that day paid into his hands. In the course of the
month of August, payment was again demanded of him,
several times, by the owner or his agent. But the fireman
having been embarrassed, twice named a day for the pay-
ment of it, but failed to comply with his engagement. The
demand was left with an attorney, and on the fifth day of
September, being Saturday, about thirty days after he had
received the money he was notified by the attorney, to pay
the money on Monday, the seventh of the same month.
On the eighth the company met, and forthwith chose a
Committee to investigate the conduct of Capt. Frost in
regard to receiving & paying the money, which he received of
the City, for the purpose of paying a teamster for bringing
the engine from Roxbury. And a motion was made and
carried, that this committee should retire for fifteen minutes
and

303. and then report. At the expiration of this time the Chairman was reported that he "was not ready." The meeting then adjourned for ten minutes. The committee at the end of that time "reported." But their report (of which no entry is made on record) was not accepted, and they were ordered to report at the next meeting. This next meeting was accordingly held on the then next Friday, Sept. 11th. The committee now made a second report, reciting conversations held by them with the attorney who had been employed by the treasurer to collect the money from Mr. Trask; & conversations with others. The purport & sum of all which was nothing more or less than what has been stated viz. that Trask received the money on the 8th of August, & failed in his promise to pay it until the seventh of September, & then paid it. The record of the company states, that Captain Trask read his "deposition" & "vindication."— Thereupon a motion was made & carried, nearly to two, that it was the sense of the meeting, "that Capt. Trask was criminal as it respects his conduct to the company, relating to moneys being kept back by him, which was paid him by the City Treasr. and that he was criminal in interfering with the business of the committee chosen to investigate his conduct, "his having gone to Mr. Harrington, the lawyer before the committee." Then followed a motion for a committee to wait on him, & learn if he would resign. Then a motion that this committee should retire for ten minutes, & when they come together should retire & leave the Committee

Committee with Captain Trask" After the return of the 304.
company, the committee reported, that Captain Trask stated Engine N^o 4
"that he would not leave the head of the company at
this time, but wished for time to consider of it." In this
stage of the business, after the adjournment of the company
meeting, the foreman preferred his complaint to the board
of Engineers, who after due deliberation passed a vote, re-
commending the discharge of the company - While this re-
port of the Engineers was in the hands of the City, Clerk
and under consideration of your committee, the company
N^o 4 again met, and having obtained a copy of the
doings of the Engineers, voted a petition to this board,
to discharge the Captain from said engine company, -
alleging 1st disobedience of the orders of the Chief and
other engineers. 2nd The misapplication of the money
received from the City. 3rd Deceiving the company, by stating
to them, that all their furniture was paid for by the City.
The first of these allegations Disobedience of orders is not
countenanced by the Chief Engineer, or the board. The third
of them is not supported by evidence, and the second one
of course is comprehended in the views already taken by
your committee, and is in fact the only reasonable sub-
ject of grievance or complaint against the foreman, sup-
ported by evidence, from any quarter. On this state of
facts, the committee discern with regret, that this engine
company are in a state of excitement and disaffection
towards their foreman, that forbids all hope of possibility
of

305. of their being kept together in a capacity to do their duty
Engine No. 4, under his command? Of consequence, it becomes indistinguishable
either to discharge the Captain, or displace the company,
and thus the unwelcome task is imposed of comparing
the merits of their respective complaints & conduct. It has
been said that the only subject of complaint, brought against
Trask, is his withholding payment of the sum of four
dollars, for about a month after he had received it, as
above stated. His delinquency on this point was doubtless
incorrect. No receiver of public moneys, be the amount great
or small, can rightfully permit himself, at any moment,
to be divested of the ability to apply money received in
trust for public purposes, to the object for which it is
placed in his hands. Had a complaint been made to
the Board of Aldermen against Captain Trask, for this de-
viation from direct duty, it cannot be doubted that
some expression of disapprobation commensurate with the
character of the error, would have been called forth. But
it is not of that heinous & flagrant character, which stand-
ing alone could have been deemed criminal, or disgraceful
to him, & deserving to be punished by his dismission from
office. Neither was it an offence for which he was re-
sponsible to his company. They were not liable for the
debt. The money received by him was not their money,
but the City's. This act could have none, or but a very
remote & feeble bearing upon their honor or good name, and if
they had thought proper to vindicate their own reputation,
it

it was easy to do it in various modes, without recourse to measures of extreme and unauthorized severity. The company however permitted feeling of resentment to prevail over their better judgment, and proceeded with rigour & precipitancy to place upon their records, a sentence of ignominy against the foreman, which they had no right to award, and which would have been all they could have demanded had he been guilty of felony. They pronounce him criminal. They call on him to resign, and vote him out of office, so far as in their power, thus virtually disbanding and dissolving themselves, no other person being entitled to command them, until his office was completely vacated. On comparing therefore the fault committed by the foreman, & the company respectively, the committee cannot doubt, on which side lies the excess. The foreman did wrong to misapply even for a short time the moneys he had received from the City. But he was anxious to repair his fault, and actually replaced the money before the company took cognizance of his delinquency. But the company have disqualified themselves from repairing the errors of their procedure by making it impossible to restore the relation which existed between them and their foreman, or to substitute any other. A separation has thus become inevitable; & as already stated, it can be effected only by dismissing the foreman, or disbanding the company. The first of those measures would be to make the punishment greater than the offence, and to inflict indelible dishonour on the character of the foreman.

30% foreman. The other would not entail those consequences upon the members of the company. It would convey indeed a merited censure upon the irregularity of their proceedings but leave their private characters unscathed and not degrade them below the level of their fellow citizens by branding them as criminals. The committee have therefore no hesitation in recommending this last course. They do it with greater reluctance inasmuch as the company has always done its duty with alacrity and effect in actual service, and excepting the impropriety to make too much noise in returning home lies at night, which a formal retirement from the board of Engineers would probably have corrected. The committee find nothing in their conduct on any other occasion that would justify severe rebukes. They therefore respectfully submit the following order.

M. G. Otis, Chairman.

(Ordered, that the members of Engine company number four, be discharged, from the further care of that Engine. Read and accepted, and ordered accordingly.)

Treasurer to
borrow money.

(Order of the Common Council authorizing the Treasurer to borrow for the use of the City, and in anticipation of the tax of the present financial year a sum of money not exceeding eighty thousand dollars, repayable at such times, within said year, and on such other terms as the committee of finance may approve. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.)

Petition of Bullard & Millet. 308.

and Soring Brown, praying remuneration for work & materials used in August 1828, for the repairs of a drain or out-let through Front street. Read and committed to Aldermen Hall and Lewis, to consider and report.

(On the petition of Charles Roe, it is ordered, that the said Roe be, and he is hereby authorized to collect of each person who has received any benefit by draining through the common sewer constructed by said Roe, in Washington (late Brange) street, through any entry made since the agreement allowed by the board of Aldermen in the year 1823, the sum of three dollars, for each and every such entry, that may drain through the said common sewer; provided, that the amount to be received shall in no event, exceed the amount actually due said Roe, shall convey all his right therein, to the City of Boston.

The committee on the petition of Minot William Minot, and others, praying the acceptance by the City of a street leading from Spruce to Charles streets, and that the same may be called Wall street. Report, that they have examined said street and find the same in a condition to be accepted, therefore recommend that the aforesaid street, be accepted and recorded, as one of the public streets of the City and that the same be known & called by the name of Wall street. Read & accepted.

Harbour
master

The committee appointed to consider and report upon the expediency of making provision for the appointment of a harbour master, have taken the subject into consideration, and are of opinion, that such an appointment would be of great utility to both ship and wharf owners, as well as facilitate and promote the business of all who have occasion to visit the harbour of Boston, with their vessels. The committee consider the subject an important one, demanding early and careful attention, and as it requires in their opinion an act of the State Legislature, made for the special purpose, they recommend, that a joint committee of the City Council be appointed to draft such an act, and present for enactment at an early period of the next session of the State Legislature. It is further recommended, that this committee should confer on the subject with any other committee to be appointed for that purpose by the Boston Marine Society, and also avail themselves of whatever information may be obtained from similar regulations made in other maritime cities of the United States. The committee recommend the adoption of the following order: Ordered, that be a committee on the part of this board, to draft an act, regulating the duties of a harbour master, for the port of Boston and Charlestown, and that the said committee be instructed to adopt such measures as may seem meet, to procure the passage of such an act through the State Legislature at the ensuing session. All which is respectfully submitted.

submitted). James Hall, for the committee. Read and B10.
accepted; and thereupon ordered; that the former ^{who make the report} committee,
be and hereby is appointed to carry the same into effect.

Sent down for concurrence.

Same up concurred.

The committee on the petition of Ward N^o 11.
the officers of Ward N^o 11, praying, that the place for holding
the meetings in said ward; may be held in La Grange hall;
instead of Pantheon Hall. Reported; that the prayer thereof be
granted; provided; that the prayer thereof be granted; provided
that the expense for rent of said hall do not exceed the a-
mount heretofore paid for such meeting. Read & accepted.

(Resolved, that the public safety & Front
and convenience require that Front street be widened at that street
part thereof formerly called Rainsford lane; and the same is
hereby laid out and widened in manner following, viz: begin-
ning at the northeasterly corner of land belonging to Henry
Jackson, Esq; deceased; thence running southerly by a
straight line about one hundred and fourteen feet to Beach
street; then easterly by Beach street twelve feet to the pre-
sent line of said Front street; then northerly by said pre-
sent line about one hundred and fourteen feet to the place
of beginning, taking six hundred and eighty four square feet
of land, as marked on a plan taken by S. P. Fuller, dated
September 21. 1829. The persons interested being first duly noti-
fied.)

The committee on the petition of
 Daniel Baxter, and others, praying, that they may be
 South Bond St. permitted to widen the side walk, on the north side of
 South Bond street. Report, that the petitioners have
 to widen said walk to a width not exceeding six feet,
 provided they also, relay the gutter in a suitable manner
 and do the work under the directions of the Superinten-
 dent of streets. Read and accepted.

Hook & Ladder

Combs

The committee on the petition
 of the Hook and Ladder company, praying, that each mem-
 ber of said company may be furnished with a cap, some-
 like to those worn by the engineers. Reported, that the
 prayer thereof be granted. Read and accepted, and there-
 upon ordered, that the members of said company be fur-
 nished with caps accordingly.

Court house

Chairs

Ordered, that the committee on
 public buildings on the part of this board be instructed to
 procure two new chairs for the court room, in the County
 Court house, and make sale of the old ones in said room.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of 312
Aldermen, of the City of Boston, on Monday the twenty
eighth day of September, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Petition of James P. Higginson, Higginson
and others, praying an alteration in the laws and ordinances
may be made, to prevent boys throwing stones on the Com
mon and Malls, if the evil complained of, cannot be
prevented by the existing laws and ordinances. Read and
committed in Common Council to Mess^{rs} Waters, Wetmore,
and Bradley, with such as the board of Aldermen might
join, to consider and report: Came up for concurrence.
Read & nonconcurred.

Communication from the Chief En Ch. Engineer
gineer of the fire department in behalf of the board of En Engrs N.H.
gineers, recommending the removal of Engine N. 4, from Char
les street to Cambridge street or vicinity thereof, together
with the house in which it is contained: Read & committed
to the committee on the fire department, to consider & report.

Ordered, that the committee of Sun dial
the district be authorized to erect the Sun dial belong
ing to the City, to be erected in front of John Sawin, the
Clockmaker's Shop on Cornhill.

Petition of Caleb H. Snow,

Snow and others, praying, that the avenue leading from Howard St. to Court streets nearly opposite Alder Lane may hereafter be known and called by the name of Hubbard Street, or some other appropriate name. Read and committed to Aldermen Loring and Armstrong, to consider & report.

Codman

Application of Thomas P. Codman

Camera Obscura for a license to exhibit a Camera Obscura, on the Common on Wednesday next, the day of the general militia training. Read, and the prayer thereof granted, on paying therefor the sum of one dollar.

Oliver

On the notice of Henry J. Oliver

of his intention of building on Millman street, the committee of the northern district report, that the level of Millman street, from Pond street towards Salem street, so far as the same is a public street, ought to be fixed as follows viz: the edge stones on Pond street to be placed on the same level as heretofore determined by the surveyors of highways, and to rise in the ratio of nine inches per hundred feet towards Salem street, and the committee recommends that the same be placed on the records, if any, of the lines and elevations of the streets, lanes &c. of the City. All which is respectfully submitted.

H. J. Oliver

Wells. Read & accepted.

Petition of Benjamin Humphrey, 311.

and another to have Cross street widened; between Ann Humphrey street and Second street. Read and committed to Alder - Ann Second st. men Oliver & Wells. to consider and report.

The committee on the petition of Moses Wheeler, and others, praying, that the Adams Ward N^o 10. School house, may be raised one story, and that the lower room thereof may be appropriated for a ward room for Ward N^o 10. Report, that they are aware the complaints set forth by the petitioner are well founded, and regret it is not in their power, to recommend a mode of affording speedy relief. The committee are of opinion that a nother story on the Mason street school house, would be an improvement, and one that ought to be carried into effect at some future time. They however are constrained to say, that the present state of the finances of the City do not warrant that measure, and they therefore must recommend, that no further order be now taken on this petition. James Hall, for the committee.

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

The committee of the northern Budd district, report, that Hanover Avenue, formerly Methodist allee, Hanover avenue ought to be widened, by taking from the land of Nathaniel Budd, the following piece of land N.E. beginning at the southeasterly

315. southeasterly corner of land of Joseph Francis, from thence running easterly by a straight line in continuation of the southerly side of said Francis's house on the corner of Hanover street and Hanover avenue, and thence measuring northerly nine feet six inches; then southerly one foot eight inches to the present line of said Avenue; then westerly in the said present line of said Avenue, twenty seven feet six inches; then northerly two feet to the place of beginning, making said avenue so far as the line extends eleven feet wide, and taking from said Budd fifty four square feet of land. And your committee further report, that they have agreed to pay said Budd for the land thus taken; provided this Board approve of the same, at the rate of fifty cents a square foot, and which amounts to the sum of twenty seven dollars, and which your committee recommend should be paid on said Budd's making a proper conveyance of said land to the City, said sum to be in full of all damages for the land so taken. All which is respectfully submitted.

H. J. Oliver, for the committee

(Read and accepted, and it is thereupon resolved, that the public safety and convenience require, that S^d Avenue be widened, and the same is hereby laid out & widened in manner above described.

Auctioneer

Adin Hall licensed as an Auctioneer, place of business N^o. 25. Commercial Street.

Petition of James P. Higginson, 316.

in behalf of himself and others, heirs and devisees of Stephen Higginson, deceased, that they may be indemnified for damage done to their estate on Summer street, some years since, in consequence of the Surveyors of highways reducing the level of the same. Read and committed to Aldermen Soring & Armstrong, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence. Came not concurred; and the Common Council joined on its part Messrs Wells, Abbot and Eveleth.

Resolved, that the public safety and convenience require, that Ann street be widened; and the same is hereby laid out & widened in manner following: Northwestly on the present line of Ann street, twenty nine feet, two inches; north easterly on land of Isaac Cook, five feet; southeasterly by land of Samuel Curtis, twenty nine feet, two inches, and southwesterly by said Ann street, five feet, according to a plan taken by S. P. Fuller, dated June 29. 1829. taking into said Ann street the piece of land, as above described, which was conveyed to the City for that purpose by said Curtis.

The committee to whom was referred Macomber and the petition of Schabod Macomber, others, pray Broadway &c. in. that the elevation of Broadway and C street, where they

317. They are about erecting a meeting house, may be settled, Report, that the level of the edge stones in the street, called Broadway, (wherever the same are set) at the intersection of Broadway and D street, should be set six inches below the top of the hammered stones of the brick house at the corner of said streets, on the northerly side of Broadway and easterly side of D street; and from thence to rise in the ratio of ten inches per hundred feet to B street on an inclined plane; and from thence to rise on another inclined plane to A street, to a point two feet below the top of the hammered foundation stones of the meeting house at the corner of Broadway, and said A street.

James Wall, for the committee.

(Read and accepted).

Knapp

Kendall

Representation of John Knapp, Esquire,

That William H. Kendall, of said Boston, laborer is a person who by excessive drinking and idleness does so spend & waste his estate as thereby to expose himself to want and suffering circumstances, endangering the City to a charge for his maintenance and support. Wherefore he prays, that this board would take such order in the premises as may be deemed necessary, in order that a Guardian may be appointed, instead of him the said Knapp, who has been discharged by the Judge of Probate for the County of Suffolk, at the request of him the said Knapp. Read & committed to the Mayor, to consider and report.

Petition of Thomas Brewer, 318.

others, praying that the mouth of the common sewer in Brewer's Washington Street, near Eliot Street may be enlarged: the same being too small for the water to pass it from the streets.
Read and committed to Aldermen Hall Lewis, to consider and report.

On the petition of Samuel Goodhue, Goodhue
Ordered; that the petitioner and his associates be permitted to Meeting house
raise the body of the School house intended to be built on the Western Avenue
Western Avenue, five or six feet, and to prepare therein a room
for public worship, as requested in the said petition, under the
patronage of the Western Society for the moral and religious in-
struction of the poor; provided, that the said addition and tra-
dition be made conformably to a specification first approved by the
committee appointed to superintend the building of the said school
house, and at the exclusive cost of the petitioners or parties in-
terested—Provided, also, that said room shall not be used for
any other purpose than public worship, without the express con-
sent of the Mayor and Aldermen; and further, that the Mayor
and Aldermen may always have power to make such rules
and regulations at occasion should require to more secure the
use of the School room to the purposes for which it is intend-
ed, & prevent inconvenience & interruption to the discipline of the
School.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P.M.

A meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the 5th day of October, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole Board of Aldermen.

Burial grounds

Superintendent.

Tombs.

The committee on burial grounds have taken into consideration the representation of the Superintendent regarding the interment of the City poor. They have examined the ground in the South burial place and find that nearly the whole which is suitable for the purpose of burying in graves is taken up. The tombs which the City has caused to be built to the number of thirty eight are distant at great intervals, & there is good reason to believe the whole will ere long be sold. This burial place from the judicious suggestions and improvements now time to time made by the Superintendent, has become an interesting object to the public eye, and may be further improved by pursuing the plan already so well begun; and at some future day be entirely inclosed, by tombs erected without expense to the City. In burying the poor, each case is an expense to the City of about two dollars, and as the vacant room is nearly taken up, the committee recommends that four tombs should be erected at each of the lower corners of the square; at such an elevation as to receive two other ranges, which may hereafter be built on the north and south sides of the square, whenever they may be required. Four of these tombs should

be erected at each of the lower corners of the squares at such an elevation as to receive two other ranges which may hereafter be built on the north and south side of the square, whenever they may be required. Four of these tombs should be appropriated to the interment of the poor, and the other four for such a description of persons as are able to pay for the privilege of depositing their deceased relatives in a tomb. The cost would probably be about one hundred & sixty dollars for each one, and thus making as fast as the Tombs are erected, a permanent wall to surround the whole ground. The expense would in the opinion of the Committee, be soon repaid the City. They therefore recommend the adoption of the following order. —

Ordered, that the committee on burial grounds be instructed to contract for the building eight tombs in the South burial ground, four at each of the lower corners of the ground; the fronts to conform to those already erected, & the backs which will constitute the fence, of hard burnt bricks.

As which is respectfully submitted by James H. Hale or A. S. on 10.

Read and accepted in Common Council. Came up a minute. Read and concurred.

Ordered, that the sum of one thousand dollars, be withdrawn from the appropriation for widening streets, and that the same be added to the appropriation for common sewers, wells & pumps. Came up for concurrence.

Read and concurred.

Franklin
fund

The committee who were appointed to examine the accounts of the Treasurer of the Franklin fund respectfully ask leave to report, that they have carefully examined the accounts above referred to, comparing the several charges with the bonds and other documents connected with them, and have found them the same in all respects, ^{strictly} correct, each item being accompanied by the proper voucher, whenever the nature of the transaction would admit of its being produced. Your committee believing it would be useful and acceptable to the trustees to have a more full account of this fund, than has been customary to lay before the board, by the annual examining committee, have requested the Treasurer to prepare a brief account of the origin and progress of the fund, and also a particular account of the present situation and value of the same; this has accordingly been done in a very satisfactory manner, and is herewith submitted. There is also submitted a schedule of the accounts of all bonds belonging to the fund, and of the amounts over due and unpaid, and a list of such as are deemed insecure. These require the immediate attention of the trustees. For the purpose of enforcing the payment of such as are delinquent, and of obtaining further security for such as are doubtful, and for the purpose of restoring the balance now resting in the hands of the Treasurer, which amounts to the sum of one thousand thirty one dollars and seventy seven cents, the committee have prepared the following orders, which they recommend

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ment to be passed. For the committee.

322.

John F. Loring.

Ordered, That the Treasurer of the Franklin fund be and he is hereby authorized and directed to prosecute all delinquent debtors to that fund giving each delinquent thirty days notice previous to the prosecution and also to require further security from persons the claims against whom are of a doubtful character.

Ordered, That the Treasurer of the Franklin fund be and he is hereby authorized & directed to meet the balance of moneys now in his hands belonging to that fund in the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, and also, to consolidate all the deposits made with said company, including & therein directed, into one sum.

Read and accepted, and the order, passed.

ON the application of A. & A. Lawrence Lawrence:

Ordered, That the Petitioners be authorized to pay the sum of eight thousand, two hundred forty seven dollars, and thirty eight cents, due by them to the City as assignees of the estate formerly belonging to John F. Valentine sold to him by the City of Boston, and that upon the payment of the whole sum due, both principal and interest, that the Mayor be authorized to discharge the mortgage upon the estate given as collateral security for the payment of the money originally due on the same to the City, said estate is situated on North Market Street in S.^t Boston. Sent down in concurrence.

Petition of Benjamin S. Kendall

and others, praying, that a street may be opened at South Boston, running from South street to Broadway, called Pth street. Read and committed to Aldermen Wall and Lewis to consider and report.

Old South Chh

Milkstreet

(Ordered, that the Mayor in behalf of this board address a respectful letter to the committee of the Old South Church and Society, expressing to them their opinion, that the public safety and convenience would be greatly promoted by widening Milk street, on the side contiguous to their meeting house, and that if the Church without material detriment to its own property could consent to give any part of the land in front of their meeting house on said street, for that purpose, the accommodation would be gratefully received by the board and acknowledged as a public benefit; and in that event the entire expense including the soil, and of all other repairs incident to the removal and repair necessary by the Church should be defrayed by this board.

Nichols

Petitioner

Application of William Nichols for a

license to exhibit his performance as a ventriloquist at Faneuil Hall. Read and granted upon praying therefor five dollars per week.

Public lands

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An ordinance for the sale of public lands being read, passed in concurrence with the Common Council.

Petition of Harvey Otis, for 324.

compensation for land taken to widen Pinkney street. Road, Otis
and committed to Aldermen Loring and Kimstrong, to Pinkney st.
consider and report.

John G. Torrey's demand for Torrey
land taken from him to widen Dock square. Road and Dock square
committed to the Mayor, Aldermen Kendall and Russell;
to consider and report.

At the application of John Kimball
Kimball, Esq. praying, that a complaint may be made to the Judge
Judge of Probate, for the County of Suffolk, that William T. Kendall
Kendall, of said Boston, laborer, does by drinking & idleness
do spend and waste and lessen his estate as thereby to reduce
himself to want and suffering circumstances, and is likely
to endanger the City to the charge of his maintenance and
support, in order that a Guardian may be appointed to
said William, according to law. And now upon the
examination of a witness, the board are of opinion that
the allegations aforesaid are true. Whereupon a complaint
was made out and signed by the Mayor & Aldermen
to the Judge of Probate accordingly.

Ordered, that the assessors be requested
requested to make out the lists of voters in the several wards
wards conformably to the last valuation.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the twelfth day of October, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Public lands.

Com. for sale.

The board proceeded by ballot to the choice of a commissioner for the sale of public lands, and the vote being taken it appeared that Edward T. Robbins, Junior, Esquire, was unanimously chosen. Sent down for concurrence.

Simonds

Wood & Lumber

Petition of Artemas Simonds, Votaries, praying that a measurer of wood and bark be brought in for sale from the Country, also that which is placed for that purpose on the wharves, and recommending David Gurney to that office. Read and committed to the committee on the subject of the survey of wood and lumber, to consider and report. Sent down for concurrence?

Same not concurred?

Child

Market wharf

David W. Child, Esq. the Superintendent for building the Market wharf, states that the whole cost of the same is seventeen thousand three hundred and sixty-eight dollars and twenty five cents, including the expense incurred in extending the common sewer from North Market Street through a part of the wharf, filling up a part of the old wharf.

Read and sent down.

Petition of Aaron Rice, Guard 326.

ian of Joseph D. Wallage, Hannah Wallage, and Sarah Wallage, Rice's Guard, minors, praying indemnification of the expense of underpinning a house on May street, rendered necessary in consequence of the digging down said street. Read and committed to Aldermen Spring and Armstrong, to consider & report.

Petition of John A. Tylor, and Officers of Militia

William Austin, a committee of the officers of the third brigade, Exempt money. first division of the militia, praying, that the amount of money which has been paid into the treasury since 1823, by the conditional militia exempts. Read and committed to the Mayor to obtain the opinion of the City Solicitor upon the subject.

Petition of Samuel Devens and Devens

David Devens, praying, that that part of the building standing on land taken to widen Washington street, belonging to Thomas Cole, may be immediately removed. Read and committed to the Mayor, Aldermen Spring and Armstrong to consider and report.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Mary Jepson, praying, that six dollars and fifty six cents, being the amount assessed upon her for laying out marks in front of her house on Couch street, in consequence of the alteration made in the said street, which has been of no benefit to her. Report, that the statements contained in said petition are correct, and the Committee

324. Committee are of opinion, that the estate of said petitioner is considerably injured by the side walk being raised about one foot, as it was several inches higher than the entrance to said house, previous to the last alteration. Therefor your committee recommends that the prayer of said petitioner be granted, and that the bill of Hart & Davis, for paving said sidewalk amounting to six dollars & fifty six cents, be paid by the City.

Respectfully submitted for the committee

Wm. Kendall, Chairman.

Read and accepted.

Auctioneer

George Sanderson appointed an Auctioneer's place of business N^o 76 Water street.

Auditor & Chief

Engineer

Appropriation

The auditor of accounts, statement that the appropriation for the fire department is entirely exhausted, & recommending an additional appropriation for that object. Read together with the statement of the Chief Engineer, in relation thereto, sent down.

Barton Point

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Petition of the Barton Point association praying that the City would release its mortgage from a lot of the late Adams house land. Read & referred to the Mayor, with authority to discharge the same, with the appropriation of the committee as the reduction of the City debt.

Croswell

William Croswell has leave to withdraw his petition.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of 328.

Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the nineteenth day of October, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present—

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Oliver.

The committee to whom was referred

Deven's
Washington St.
the letter of Samuel Devens and David Devens respecting widening Washington street, respectfully report, that pursuant to an order of this board acting as surveyors of highways passed on the first day of May, last past, a part of the land belonging to said Samuel & David was taken to widen said street, and that a new brick building since erected was set back to the line prescribed in the said order, leaving a part of said Devens's land in the street, conformably to a plan of S. P. Fuller, dated April 8. 1825, for which the proprietors are entitled to compensation. It was also the expressed intention of the board of Aldermen, that certain other buildings belonging to Thomas Cole, of Salem, adjoining northerly to the land of said Devens should also be set back conformably to the said plan, and notice was given to Henry Vic, Agent of said Cole to that effect, and that the buildings on said Cole's land should be removed on or before the first of the month of October. This however has not been done, and the buildings on said Cole's land project into the street beyond the new building of said Devens, by which said Devens as he alleges is greatly injured; inasmuch as his tenants insist upon a de-

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329. deduction of rent which they have agreed to pay upon the full
Deeds of the actual removal of the buildings of said Cole in the
Washington street of October as aforesaid. Objections are also made by
the said Cole in his agreed to the removal of his buildings
at this season of the year, while on the other hand, the
M^{rs} Devens are content as appears from their letter to
release all demands against the city, or damages for the
taking of their land as aforesaid, on condition that the
buildings of said Cole are made to conform to the said plan
forthwith. It is also most probable to your committee
that the said M^{rs} Devens will insist in some other offer
and allow a further time for the removal of the buildings
if they can be indemnified for any loss in consequence of
deduction by their tenants from the rents they now receive.
Your committee believe that such an arrangement may be
effected upon reasonable terms. And they report the following
orders, which are submitted.

(Ordered, that the removal of the
buildings of Thomas Cole, in Washington street, so as to conform
to the line of said street, as established by order of this board
of the 14th day of May last, be hastened until the 1st day
of April next, and no longer; provided, that Samuel Devens
and David Devens will agree to release their claim to dam-
ages for land taken from them by said order.

(Ordered, that the Mayor be authori-
zed to treat and agree with the said Samuel and David
Devens, for the payment to them of a reasonable indemnity for
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any loss to which they may be subjected, between this date, the 330.
said first day of April, by the postponement of the removal of
said buildings, in lieu of all damages for their land taken as
aforesaid, and upon the completion of such agreement that the
Mayor notify said Thomas Cole and said Rice respectively,
that their said buildings will be removed back or cut down
so as to conform to the said line of said street, unless the
same be removed by them prior to the first day of April next,
and that the Mayor and Aldermen will be at all times,
ready during their continuance in office to remove said build-
ings, at such time as said Cole, or his said agent may
request, the said order of postponement notwithstanding.

M. G. Otis, Chairman.

Read and accepted, and the orders passed.

It appearing to this board, by a Valentine
certificate sent by the City Treasurer and Auditor, that a mortgage
bond of John J. Valentine to the City, for the payment of eight
thousand two hundred forty seven dollars, and thirty eight cents
has been fully paid, both principal and interest, at the City
Treasury, it is thereupon ordered, that the Mayor be and
is hereby authorized under the provisions of an order of the
City Council passed on the twentieth day of December, 1824,
to discharge on the record the mortgage on which the payment of
said bond was secured.

The committee on the petition of Snow
and H. Snow, pray, that Medford's line be laid out from Snow's Alder St.

331. to Court street, may hereafter be known and called by the name of Stoddard street, reported, that the prayer of said petition be granted. Read and accepted, and thereupon resolved, that said lane or street be hereafter known and called by the name of Stoddard street accordingly.

Chase

Davershill

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Cook & Chase and others, for an additional number of lamps to be erected and lighted on Claverhill street. Report, that they have viewed the premises and find that said street is about eleven hundred feet in length, and is lighted by seven lamps, at the expense of the City, and that in their opinion no addition ought to be made, the number being ample. But should the proprietors of said lamps, feel disposed to change the position of a part of them, at their own cost (they being all on the east side of said street, that they have permission so to do, and that the City continue to light them.

Charles Wells, Committee

Read and accepted.

Wharfinger

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An ordinance providing for the election and compensation of a City Wharfinger being read, passed in concurrence, with the Common Council, with an amendment by inserting a new section in lieu of the second section. Sent down in concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Petition of William Gayrs, and 332.

others, praying that some repairs may be made in Bridges
between H and Turnpike streets. That we recommended to Aldermen
Hall and Lewis, to consider and report.

Petitions of James Cogswell, John Cogswell,
 Vinton, and Samuel D. Parker, Guardians of Henry Ham Sarah Vinton
 Ham, severally praying, that they may be relieved from the Ham.
 expense which it has become necessary to incur in order to May street.
~~in~~ secure their several buildings on May street, in con-
 sequence of said street being reduced by digging, down the
 same several feet. Read and committed to Aldermen
 Loring and Armstrong, to consider and report.

Ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen, Chapel buying
Committee and Wells be authorized to build a wall of granite
granite in front of the burying ground near Kings Chapel, so
called, on Tremont Street, and that a sum not exceeding
five hundred dollars, be appropriated to this purpose; provided,
a sum sufficient to defray the residue of the expense of
such wall can be obtained by apportionment on the proprietors
of the tombs, or otherwise.

(Adjourned to Friday next, half past three o'clock P. M.)

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Friday, the twenty third day of October, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Oliver.

Wharfingers
City-wharf

The several applications for wharfingers of the City, wharf being read, the board proceeded to ballot to the choice; and the votes being taken, it appeared that the whole number of ballots was eight. 8.

Necessary to a choice, five, 5.

David Parker had five, and he was chosen.

Sent down for concurrence.

Carroll up concurred.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of 334.

Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the twenty sixth day of October, Anno Domini 1829.

Present.

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

A warrant from the Judge of Probate for the County of Suffolk, requiring that inquisition be made of the state of mind of Mary Boit, a minor, above the age of fourteen years, who has been represented to be a person non compos mentis, and incapable of taking care of herself. And now after hearing the evidence of a witness, under oath, and mature deliberation being thereon had, it is adjudged by this board, that said Mary is non compos mentis, and incapable of taking care of herself; Thereupon ordered, that the same be certified to the Judge of Probate, and signed by the Mayor and a Alderman, in order that a guardian may be appointed to said Mary according to law.

It having been represented to this board, that Charles Wade, of said Boston, merchant, does by excessive drinking and idleness, so spend, waste, and lessen his estate as thereby to expose himself and family to want and suffering circumstances, and does also thereby endanger & expose the City to a charge or expense for his and their maintenance and support. And now after the examination of divers

335. divers credible witnesses, the board are of opinion that the allegations above set forth are true; Whereupon a complaint was made out and signed by the Mayor and Aldermen to the Judge of Probate, in order that a Guardian may be appointed to the said Charles Wade according to law.

Sweetser

Petition of Sarah Sweetser, Mother,
praying, that the common sewer leading from John street to Prince street may be opened and repaired. Read and thereupon ordered, that public notice be given to all persons interested to appear on Monday next, four o'clock, P. M. and show cause, if any they have, why said sewer should not be taken up and repaired, and the expense thereof apportioned upon those whose estates shall be benefited thereby.

Tennison
Southack St.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Timothy L. Tennison, praying for compensation for damages done to his estate by reducing the level of Southack street. Report, that the petitioner has no claim in the City, and that he have leave to withdraw his petition. Read and accepted.

Auctioneer.

James Lee, nominated and appointed auctioneer, place of business Water street.

Order

Ordered, that the election of a commissioner for the sale of public lands be postponed to the next meeting.

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The committee on the reduce 336.

tion of the City debt respectfully ask permission to report to Barton point
the City Council. That by an order of the City Council, ap^d
dated March 3^d 1828, this committee was authorized to
release any part of the estate held by the City as security
for the debt due from the Barton point association, on being
satisfied that the security of the City should not by any ^{such} re-
lease be reduced below the just and reasonable amount ori-
ginally contemplated to be given:— and by the terms of the
same order, the committee was enjoined to report, from time to
time, its proceedings in the premises. An application has recent-
ly been made to this committee, by the Barton point association,
for the release of the City's claim over a lot of land situated
in Brighton street, in the rear of Lovell's street; and the
consideration offered for such release is, the additional value
of the remaining security of the City, to wit: "the money
expended by said association, in the erection of buildings, and
the improvements, now and about the wharves forming a part
of the late Almonhouse estate." As the lot of land, the release
of which is now requested, comprizes only a surface of
twelve hundred and fifty four feet, and as the committee
is satisfied that the additional value now in on the property
remaining pledged to the City, will leave the ultimate
payment of the City's claim competently secured, they have
thought proper to grant the request of the association, and under
the authority vested by the City Council the committee has caused
the release to be executed: (Read and sent down.

Brighton.

Needham and others, owners and occupants of estates on North Russell Street, praying, that the south end of the street adjoining Cambridge Street, may be raised, in order to prevent the water flowing down said street, from Cambridge, Hancock, Belknap and South Russell Streets Read and committed to Aldermen Loring and Armstrong with full power to do what may be deemed by them expedient to remedy the evil complained of.

Whitton
Crab alley

Petition of William Appleton praying that a committee may be appointed to examine the state of Crab alley, and direct as to the height they may deem it expedient to have it raised. Read and committed to Aldermen Kendall and Russell, to consider and report.

Prescott
Sea St.

Petition of Abraham Prescott, who is about building on Sea Street, praying, that the level & line of said street may be shown him. Read & committed to the Mayor, Aldermen Wall and Lewis, to consider & report.

Whitwell, Bond St.
Water St.

Petition of Whitwell's Bond & Co. No. 53, praying, that an iron shutter may be fitted to the opening of the sewer recently made in front of No. 53, in said street, or some other remedy may be applied to remedy the evil arising from the effluvia of said sewer. Read & committed to the Mayor.

Adjourned to Monday, next, four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the board of 338.

Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday the second day of November, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present—

The Mayor, and the whole Board of Aldermen.

Petition of Messrs Joseph H. Dorr, Dorr
Henry J. Oliver and Andrew J. Allen, a committee appointed Rail road to
to aid the contemplated rail road from this City to Brattle Vermont—
borough, in Vermont, by collecting deeds of lands, and receiving
donations of materials, useful in the construction of the work,
praying, that the City Council would appropriate a suitable
piece of land upon the flats between the Western avenue and
Boylston street as a convenient terminus for a warehouse,
about two hundred feet in breadth and one hundred feet in
depth, as a depot for receiving and delivering the com-
modities which shall pass over the said rail way. Read
and committed to the Mayor and Alderman Toring, with
such as the Common Council may join, to consider. Reported.
Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and the
Common Council joined on its part Messrs Everett, Ellis,
and Rayner.

Thomas R. Sewall, licensed as an Auctioneer.
Auctioneer, and his bondsmen approved.

Henry Waitt licensed as an
Auctioneer, place of business 31 Broad street.

Petition of Caleb Hayward

Hayward praying, that he may be permitted to complete the contract which he entered into last December, with the owners of the Albany and Troy Wharves, the privilege of occupying the City wharf between the wharf recently built, and the Troy wharf and that he may be authorized to collect and substantiate dues for dockage and wharfrage. Read and referred to the Mayor, Aldermen, Council, and Lewis, to consider and report. -

Read Council
chosen

(Agreeably to apportionment, the board proceeded by ballot to the choice of a commissioner for the sale of public lands, and on taking the votes, it appeared that the whole number was eight: 8.

Necessary for a choice 5.

Francis Jackson, Esquire, had five, 5 and he was chosen, in concurrence with the Common Council.

Wright
Sea street.

William Wright gives notice of his intention to build on the street near the Boston Free Bridge, and requests that the line and elevation of said street may be shown him. Read and thereupon ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen, Hall and Lewis, be a committee with instructions to enquire upon what terms a cession may be obtained from the proprietors of so much of the land at the North end of the free bridge as will make Sea street in that part thereof fifty feet wide.

The committee on the Boston BAO.

free bridge, made a communication, stating that the late storm had materially injured said bridge; and that the said bridge had become impassable with carriages by reason thereof, when the wooden parts connect with the iron work. Read and concurred, that a selectmen of the town be a committee with authority to cause such temporary repairs to be made as are indispensably necessary to be made to said bridge, to render it passable, and to report what permanent repairs are necessary to be made to secure the same.

Ordered, that the sum of three Appropriations thousand and five hundred dollars, be and the same is hereby added to the appropriation for the "fire department exclusive of engine houses" and that the same amount be withdrawn from the appropriation for "widening streets."

Ordered, that the sum of five hundred dollars, be and the same is hereby added to the appropriation "for the erection, rent and repairs of engine houses" and that the same amount be withdrawn from the appropriation for a "Reserve fund." Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

A letter was received from Thomas Cum-Cumming-
ming, Esq. of Augusta, Georgia, acknowledging the receipt of the Mayor's Memorial suffering
letter enclosing a bank check for seven hundred dollars, being a further sum
collected for the use of the sufferers by fire in said place.

Ordered, that the abutters on New
Haverhill street be permitted to remove the lamps and posts which
Lamps. are not now lighted in said street from the east to the west
sides thereof, and to cause them to be lighted; the same to be
done under the direction of the committee of the district, at
the expense of said abutters.

Sweetser
Salem st.

It appearing to this board, that public
notice has been given to all persons interested in the common
sewer leading Salem to Prince streets, on the petition of Sarah
Sweetser and others, praying, that same sewer be taken up &
relaid, and the expense thereof apportioned upon those whose estates
shall be benefited thereby. And now no person appearing to
object, it is thereupon ordered, that said sewer be taken
up and relaid, and apportioned as abovementioned.

Bethune
City vs. Him
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Ordered, on the report of referees in
the case of George Bethune regarding damages for land taken
to widen Dock square and Elm street; that the Mayor Alder-
men Kendall and Russell be a committee to confer with S. B.
Bethune, and ascertain, whether any, and if any, what agree-
ment can be made with him in behalf of the City, respect-
ing the whole subject; provided Dock square be further widened
by taking the land of Ebenezer Breed contiguous to that of S. B.
Bethune.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of 312.

Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday the ninth day of November, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

David Parker, the City Wharfinger's Wharfinger bond approved and filed.

Ordered, that the regulations adopted Rules Reg^{ts} by the proprietors of the Long wharf, and the principal wharves (the West, South and north of it, now in force) be also adopted for the management of the City wharf, subject to such variations as this board may from time to time order & prescribe.

Ordered, that the Mayor be authorized in the name of this board to make such alterations in said regulations, and to give such instructions to the Wharfinger for his government in conducting the concerns of the Wharf as circumstances may in his judgment require, and to submit such alterations or instructions to this board, at the next meeting after the same shall be given, from time to time, for their approbation.

Letter of Mess^{rs} Hill & Harrett, Agents of Hill & Harrett the City of Bangor, for the sale of a townships land (along French Creek) lying to the City, in the State of Maine. Read & thereupon ordered, that the Mayor be authorized to write to said Agents to employ some person to view & ascertain the value of said lands.

Petition of Isaac Davis, for remuneration for land taken to widen Garover Street. Read and committed to the Mayor and Aldermen Webb to consider and report. -

Garvey

Petition of Daniel Garvey, praying that his taxes for the year 1820, may be abated. Read and committed to the Mayor, Aldermen Wall & Lewis, to consider and report.

Farnham &c.

George St.

Petition of Henry Farnham, and the heirs of William Walter, deceased, for remuneration for land taken for the purpose of laying out George Street and widening London Street. Read and committed to Aldermen Spring & Armstrong to consider and report.

Martineau

Petition of Samuel Appleton, & others, proprietors of estates situated on the street leading from Liberty Square to ... Street, praying that the City would accept the same, and cause it to be paved, together with Crab Alley. Read and committed to Aldermen Kendall and Russell, to consider and report.

North

Sea Street

Ordered, that the committee of the ... be instructed to confer with William Wright, in relation to Sea Street and the money which the proprietors of the free Bridge to South Boston, claim for building the northern abutment of said bridge.

The committee to whom was 344.
referred the petition of Benjamin S. Tice and others, dated
praying, that the street may be opened, leading from South Fth st.
street to Broadway called Fth street, reported, that it is in-
expedient to open said street, at present, they however recommend
that liberty be granted to the owners of the houses already
built to remove the dirt in front of their houses under the
direction of the Superintendent of streets.

Read and accepted.

The board of Engineers made a, Engineers
report in relation to the recent burning of Engine house N^o 5. Engine house
5, detailing the evidence which was given before them, which N^o 5.
resulted in tracing the cause of the fire as mentioned but
imputing no blame to the officers and members of said com-
pany and stating that in other respects they have conducted
themselves with propriety. Read, and thereupon ordered, that
said report be committed to the fire department with in-
structions to prepare and report to this board a circular ad-
dress to the members of the fire department.

Ordered, that the committee of the Engine house,
fire department be instructed to inquire and report what N^o 5.
measures it is expedient to adopt in relation to the recent
distribution of Engine house N^o 5, and whether it be expedient
to rebuild the same in its present location, or provide some
other suitable place for erecting a new house for said engine.

Application of Thaddeus Harrington.

Harrington to be allowed to exhibit a fish which was caught between
 & Worcester Locksdown and Warron bridges called an Albion, at a
 building in Flag street. The fish weighs upwards of one
 hundred pounds. Read & granted.

Chelsea
 Beach

Communication was received from the
 Selectmen of Chelsea, stating, that the sand storm has done great
 damage to the beach in that town and requesting the City
 Council to unite with them in such way as they may deem
 expedient for the preservation of the same. Read & committed
 to Aldermen Loring and Lewis, with such as the Common
 Council may join, to consider and report. Sent down for
 concurrence. Came up concurred, and the Common Council join-
 ed on its part. Messrs Pickman, Austin & Bigelow.

Land Comr.

Communication from Francis Jackson Esq.
 declaring his acceptance of the office of Commissioner for the
 sale of public lands. Read and filed, and ordered, that the
 surety of his bond be seven thousand dollars.

Worcester
 Watchman

Petition of Ezra Worcester, a watchman, pre-
 senting that he may have a hearing in relation to his having been
 dismissed by the Captain of the watch. Read & committed to the
 Mayor, Aldermen Loring & Armstrong, to consider & report.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of 346.

Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the sixteenth day of November, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Wells.

The committee on the petition of Worcester Ezra Worcester, in relation to his being discharged from the Watchman's Watch, stated, that it is important to the efficient service of the watch, that the captain should be responsible for the conduct of his officers and men, and consequently that it is inexpedient for this board to interfere with his power of removing them from office, except when the same may be wantonly and oppressively abused, and the committee then gave report, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition.

Read and accepted.

An order of the Judge of Probate of the County of Suffolk, requiring the board to take inquiry into the case of Josiah H. H. H. of the City of Boston, who has been represented to be a person non compos mentis, and incapable of taking care of himself. And the board ordered that the said Josiah be notified to appear before this board on Monday, next, four o'clock, P.M. and shew cause, (if any he have) why he should not be declared non compos mentis, as aforesaid, in order that a guardian may be appointed for him according to law.

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Petition of Leonard & Co. v. Gothers,

Brown, praying, that the common sewer in Tileston street, may be taken up and relaid and the expense thereof apportioned upon those whose estates shall be benefited thereby. Read and thereupon ordered, that proper notice be given to all persons interested, to appear before this board, on Saturday, next, at 10 o'clock P.M. and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer ~~thereof~~ of said petition should not be granted.

Engine No. 5.

Fire Dept. cir-
address to?

The committee of the fire department to whom was referred the report of the Engineer of the fire department, respecting the fire in engine house No. 5, with instructions to report a circular address to the members of the fire department, reported an address accordingly. Read and accepted, and thereupon ordered, that two hundred copies thereof be printed, and that the Chief Engineer cause them to be distributed among the members of the fire department, under the direction of the Mayor.

6 o'clock

Petition of Isaac Cook to purchase a piece of land near the Mill Creek & Ann Street. Read and thereupon ordered, that the same be postponed indefinitely.

Adjourned to Monday, next, four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the board of 348.

Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday the Twenty third day of November, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Order of the Common Council Appropriation
directing that the sum of eight hundred dollars be appropriated towards the payment of expenses in repairing and improving or altering the Boston free bridges, and that the same amount be withdrawn from the appropriation for widening streets.

Came up for concurrence.

Read & concurred.

Petition of William Redfern, Mayor, Keofern
ing, remuneration for loss and damage to his estate at the corner of May and Grove streets occasioned by said streets having been dug down. Read and committed in Common Council to Messrs Waters, Gould and Frost, with authority as the board of Aldermen might join, to consider and report. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Loring and Armstrong are joined.

Petition of Margaret Minnenger, to Minnenger
be indemnified for the damage done to her estate in Grove street, in consequence of said street being lowered. Read & committed to Aldermen Loring and Armstrong are joined.

349.

Ordered, that notice be given in

Voters-
Notice to

the newspapers, that the lists of voters are made out, and placed in the Mayor and Aldermen's rooms and the apportioner's office. Also one copy in each ward, as follows viz:

Ward No. 1. Eliot School house, North Bennet street.

" " 2. Hancock School house, Hanover street.

" " 3. Ward room, Cooper street.

" " 4. East door of Faneuil Hall.

" " 5. Engine house, Everett street.

" " 6. English high school, West Centre street.

" " 7. County Court house.

" " 8. Julian Hall, Milk street.

" " 9. Boylston school house, Fort Hill.

" " 10. Adams School house, Mason street.

" " 11. LaPrange hall, Washington street.

" " 12. Franklin School house Washington street, & Hawes

School house, South Boston. The Mayor and Aldermen will attend at their room every day, until Saturday the 12th day of December next, inclusive, for the purpose of receiving the evidence of the qualifications of legal voters, whose names have not been entered on said lists. And that all persons entitled to vote, be specially invited to see that their names are inserted, and reminded, that this cannot be done after the aforesaid day, for the purpose of the election which is to take place on the fourteenth of said December.

Witness

No. 6.

Aaron Jaquith, & George Boudet, appointed free

men Ward No. 6.

It appearing to this board, that 350.

notice has been given, on the petition of Samuel Brown, and Brown others, that the common sewer in Silston street be taken up Whitman and retained, and the expense thereof apportioned upon those whose Silston S. estates shall be benefited thereby, agreeably to the order passed at the last meeting, at this meeting Edward Whitman, & others appeared and filed their remonstrance against said petition which was read and committed to Aldermen Oliver & Wells, with full powers, to do what by them shall be deemed most expedient.

It appearing to this board, that no Munroe
notice has been given to Josiah Munroe, agreeably to the order now composed and entered
passed at the last meeting, to appear at this time and show cause, if any he have, why he should not be declared a person non compos mentis, and incapable of taking care of himself. And now the said Josiah does not appear; and it appearing by the evidence of a witness under oath, that the said Josiah is a person non compos mentis and incapable of taking care of himself. It is thereupon ordered, that the same be certified to the Judge of Probate, for the County of Suffolk; that a Guardian may be appointed for him, according to law.

On the complaint of David Shute, Shute &
that the chimney of a certain dwelling house of which Sarah Marston Leffert
Marston is part owner, situated on Hanover street, is in a chimney.
defective state, and it appearing upon evidence offered to this
board, and examination of the premises that the same chimney
is

351. is in a defective state, dangerous to the City, and cannot be amended or repaired, and that the safety of the City requires the said chimney to be taken down or demolished.

Ordered, that the said Sarah Marston be requested and notified to take down the said chimney, on or before the thirtieth day of November, instant, and that she be served with an attested copy of this order, by the City Marshal.

Quarantine

New Orleans

A communication was received from W. Smith, Resident Physician at Havre, France, stating that by the latest arrivals from New Orleans, he is informed that the sickness at that place has subsided, and recommending that vessels from that port be no longer subjected to quarantine regulations the present season. Read and thereupon ordered that the order which ruled this Board, September 14th 1829, subjecting vessels from New Orleans to quarantine, be and hereby is repealed.

Chimney sweeps

Swabber.

James Sanders, licensed as a chimney

Wright

Sea Street.

The committee on the petition of W^m Wright, praying that the line and location of Sea Street near the Free bridge may be shown. There reported, that Mr. Sullivan the Surveyor has been directed to give the elevation and line of said street, and the committee ask to be discharged.
Read and accepted.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board of 352.
Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the thirtieth
day of November, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

Order of the Common Council, in ~~Marked~~
structing all committees of the City Council who have not business
reported upon the subjects committed to them, to report on
or before the seventh day of December next. Came up for
concurrence.
Read and concurred.

(Ordered, that whereas the sum of Torrey's
three hundred dollars, was ordered to be paid to John H. Torrey, for
an account of land taken from his estate to widen Dock square,
And whereas, it is the expectation of this board, that some
agreement may be made with the proprietor of the estate con-
tiguous to said Torrey's land, on the north side thereof for
a further widening of the said Dock square, the said sea-
son. It is further ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen
Hendall and Russell, may make to said Torrey such fur-
ther allowance as they may agree with him to be made,
for postponing all further proceedings in regard to damages
for the taking of said Torrey's land, until the first day
of April next.

George W. Laughton, nominated and Firemen
appointed a fireman of Ward N^o. 7. W^o N^o. 7.

Petition of William B. Swell,

Swell and others, praying that a committee may be appointed to examine the situation in a store at the corner of Broad Street, and south side of Custom House Street, which is left over. Read and committed to Aldermen Kendall and Russell, to consider and report.

Lumber survey

of Brunswick

Wood.

The committee to whom was referred the subject of considering whether any sort of any what alterations are required in the laws regulating the survey of lumber, and also the further regulating the admittance of wood brought into the City, by water landed for sale. Report, that the subject has claimed their attention for some length of time; that they have had several interviews with the surveyors of lumber, as well as with the dealers in the article, and have examined the existing laws on the subject; most of which are of an ancient date, and so indefinite; that they seem to have been long lost sight of. There appears to have been no uniform system practised in the survey of lumber for several years past, and that complaints have been made by the citizens of Maine, who furnish this market with lumber, of the irregularity and injustice of our surveys, and your committee believe not without cause, and much of their trade has been diverted from the City in consequence. Those who send lumber to this market, and the consumer, all tenders for some further laws regulating the

Survey

survey, and it is believed that the dealers in the article 334.
would prefer some uniform system to the present. The article, Lumber
of wood brought into the City by water requires especially Wood.
to be regulated by some law. This is an article in which
every citizen is interested, more particularly the poor, who
buy in small quantities. On the investigation made by the
Committee they are of opinion, that laws might be made
for the regulating of surveys and inspection of all lumber and
wood brought into the City, which would greatly benefit the
City and the public, and that the power to make such
laws and regulations ought to be invested in the City
Council, therefore report the following order, which is res-
pectfully submitted, By order of the Committee.

Winslow Lewis, Chairman.

Ordered, That the Mayor be requested
to apply in behalf of the City government to the Legislature
and endeavour to obtain the passage of an act authorizing
the City Council to make such laws and regulations re-
lating to the survey of all lumber, the measurement and
inspection of all wood and coal for fuel that may be
brought into the City for sale as they may deem expedient.

Ordered, That the Senators of the County
and the representatives of the City be and are hereby re-
quested to aid in obtaining the passage of the law for the
aforesaid purposes. Read and accepted, and the orders pas-
sed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Petition of Robert Somes, tra-
ving, that he may be compensated for the loss sustained
by him in his estate, situated on the corner of May street,
in consequence of said street being reduced in its level.
Read and committed to Aldermen Loring and Armstrong
to consider and report.

Watch house

The committee appointed on the
subject of the Watch house in Eliot street ask leave to re-
port. That the house is inconvenient, uncomfortable & filthy,
and is not by any means in a suitable condition for such
an establishment. Before suggesting any measure for the
consideration of the Board on this subject, they will submit
a short statement of facts. The City purchased in 1825, a
piece of land in Eliot street for the purpose as the com-
mittee are informed of building a watch house, and such
other accommodation as might be required, for which they
paid \$2187, 22. On the principal part of this sum they
have since then been paying an interest of five per cent. per
annum, while the land has remained during the same years
entirely useless. The City has also in the same ward, been
paying rent for a watch house, sixty dollars; for an engine-
house, one hundred & thirty dollars; for a ward room about \$60
and a primary school room, fifty dollars, making in the whole
an annual expense of \$400, 36. The committee are of opinion
that for a sum not exceeding \$2250, and perhaps less, a
building might be erected on the City's land, that would

answer all these purposes if desired; thereby making an annual 356.
savings of near two hundred dollars; they therefore cannot re-
frain from recommending to the City Council, an early atten-
tion to the subject. The ensuing spring, or the mean time
to answer the purpose of a temporary watch house, for the win-
ter, and which may be taken away in the spring, and done
at an expense of about one hundred dollars. The committee
the adoption of the following order—

Submitted by order of the committee. James Hall.

Ordered, that Aldermen Hall &
Lewis, be a committee to provide, during the ensuing
winter a more suitable room for the south watch, either
by altering and fixing up the present one; or by erecting
a temporary and cheap building on the City's land in
Ellet Street, whichever they may deem most expedient or
beneficial to the interest of the City.

Read and accepted, & ordered accordingly.

The City Marshal gives notice Haskell
that Aaron Haskell, a licensed victualler, has been convicted
of selling spiritous liquors, and doing other secular business
on the Lord's day. Read and thereupon ordered, that the
said Haskell, be notified to appear before this board,
on Monday next, four o'clock, P. M. show cause if any
he have, why his license, for the causes aforesaid, should not be
reversed.

John H. Schaffer appointed an Auctioneer. Auctioneer
Place of business N^o. 5 North Market Street.

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Washington
2^d Feb. 18

Petition of a committee of the

Washington Light Infantry company, praying, that they may be authorized to enlarge their armory in Franklin Hall. Read and committed to Aldermen Loring, Tindale and Wells, with full power to grant the prayer of said petition.

Marston
Defective Chimney

It appearing by the return of the City Marshal that notice has been served upon Sarah Marston, according to the order which passed the Board at its last meeting in relation to a defective chimney in her building on Hanover street and it also appearing that said chimney remains in the same perilous situation as represented in the communication of David Shute, and said Sarah Marston does not appear. It is thereupon ordered, that she be committed to Alderman Oliver and Wells, with full power to cause said chimney to be taken down, and that such other proceedings to be had in relation to the same as may by them be deemed most expedient.

Warrants for
New meetings

Ordered, that warrants be issued for a meeting of the Citizens, in their several wards, on Monday the fourteenth day of December, next, at eleven o'clock A. M. to give in their ballots for the following officers viz Warden; Clerk; five inspectors of elections; four members of the Common Council, all of whom to be resident in the inhabitants of said wards in which they shall be chosen. Also one overseer of the poor, and one member of the School Committee.

mittee. Also for Mayor and eight Aldermen, all of, 358.
whom to be inhabitants of this City.

The Poll to be kept open until three o'clock, P. M.

Ordered, that Jacob Horrick, be Field driver.
and hereby is appointed a field driver, hogreen Hayward,
the current year.

Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

Communication of Francis Jackson, Esq. Land Comm^r.
Land Commissioner, proposing to advertise for proposals to clean &
build about fourteen hundred feet, of Suffolk street, payable in
land. Read and thereupon ordered, that said commissioner,
be authorized to advertise for proposals accordingly, and to lay
the same before this board for its approbation.

Ordered, that the committee on the Engine house
fire department be authorized to hire a suitable piece of land, N^o 4.
on Cambridge street, for a term of years, and that they cause
the Engine house N^o 4, to be removed from its present location,
and placed upon the same, and to agree with Jacob Chamberlain
upon a sum of money to be paid him in consideration of sur-
rendering his lease of the land on which said engine house
now stands.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

(At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the seventh day of December, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor and the whole board of Aldermen.

Dow

Levee Highway,
streets.

Petition of Phineas Dow, & others, praying, that the lane leading from Levee Highway streets may be opened, which lane has been stopped in consequence of the Mill Pond Wharf Corporation having raised up the docks. Read and thereupon ordered, that the Mayor, Aldermen Irving and Armstrong be a committee, with full powers, to make such agreement respecting the continuing the lane leading from Levee street towards Causeway street, through land claimed by the Proprietors of the Mill Pond Wharf Corporation, as they may think for the best interest of the City.

Otis

Pinckney St.

The committee on the petition of Harvey Otis, praying compensation for land alleged to have been taken to widen Pinckney street. Report, that on reference to the records of 1828, it will be seen that the land referred to by the petitioner was not taken by the City authorities as stated in the petition, but that the widening of said street was the voluntary act of the proprietors of the land, that the land subsequently purchased by Mr. Otis, & added to the street, never was taken by any act of the City.

City, and his petition for payment for the land, thus con- 360
tributed to the street was at the time heretofore, refused.
The committee are therefore of opinion the petitioner has
no claim on the City, and recommend, that he have
leave to withdraw his petition. For the committee.

A. J. Loring.
Read & accepted.

The committee to whom was refer- Holland
red the representation of Thomas Holland, respecting the ~~representations~~ Harvard St.
~~lines~~ lines of Harvard street, ask leave to report, that they see
no reason to doubt that the lines of Harvard street, as given by
J. P. Fuller, are correct, and if so, that some of the abutments on
that street have encroached upon the street. They therefore re-
commend, that the City Marshal be instructed to ascertain
the fact, and, if true, that such measures should be adopted
to remove the encroachment, as the Mayor and Aldermen may
think fit. The committee also find, that a small wooden build-
ing has been erected by some person or persons unknown upon
the land or dock belonging to the City, on the said Harvard
street, and they further recommend, that the City Marshal be
required to remove the same building to collect a rent of the
owners of said building, at the rate of five dollars per annum
during the time that the building has and shall stand on
the City's land. James Hall, for the committee.

The foregoing report, being read
was accepted. —

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The committee on the petition of Putnam David Putnam, and others, praying to have the north west end of Second street widened, reported, that the widening would be an improvement of said street; but the fund appropriated for widening streets being exhausted, they recommend, that the petition be referred to the next board of Aldermen.

Read and accepted.

Swett

The committee on the petition of

William B. Swett, and others, respecting a defective chimney reported, that they have examined the chimney, and are of opinion that the proprietors of the adjoining store be notified, that the public safety requires, that the chimney in the partition wall ought to be extended to eight inches in the wall.

Read and accepted.

High
Minister Jones

Application of Joseph Laughlin for a license to exhibit the bones of a great monster found in Louisiana, one bone viz the under jaw is twenty feet long, and three feet wide and weighed when found over twelve hundred pounds; the vertebra is sixteen inches in diameter; the trapage for the spinal marrow nine by six inches; the ribs nine feet long; and all the rest of the bones in proportion - to be exhibited at N^o 38 Cornhill. Read and the prayer thereof granted.

Burns
Horse houses

Application of James Burns for a license to exhibit wooden horses at a building on Cross street. Read and accepted.

Petition of William F. Tyler, 362.

Praying, that he may be permitted to take from the Tyler ground, where Col. Pinney's ropewalk formerly stood, the iron stuff which remains on the ground, and which he claims as his property. Read and committed to Aldermen Hall and Lewis, to consider and report.

Communication from Stephen Glover, Glover
respecting a new mode of conveying water by means of a line made with hose to be connected with the suction valves of the engines. Read and committed to the committee of the fire department, to consider and report.

The committee to whom was sub- Wilbur
mitted the proposal of Lea Wilbur, to build and furnish a room in Milton street, to be used as a primary school room at a rent of sixty dollars per annum; provided the City will take a lease of the same, for the term of ten years. Read. That the proposal be accepted; provided the room be finished according to the plan which accompanies this report, and to the acceptance of the committee of the primary schools. Read and accepted.

The auditor of accounts, monthly Auditor's
exhibit - also his statement respecting the contract for exhibit
building a primary school room on the western avenue, recommending an appropriation of \$470, to pay for the same. Read & sent down.

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Primary school
District N^o 7.

The committee on the subject of a primary school in District N^o 7, reported, that the school house for the use of the primary school having been constructed according to the orders had thereon, and being now in the use of the City, the committee ask leave to be discharged from further duty.

Read and accepted.

Pope
nos. v. Boston

The committee on the petition of Micajah Pope and others, praying, that the laws may be restrained from going at large at South Boston. Reported, that owing to the long recess of the Commonwealth in the summer season, to a period too late to answer the purpose of the petitioners, did not before make a report on the subject. They now ~~recommend~~ recommend that the petition be postponed to the next City Council and that the committee be discharged from further duty thereon.

James Hall, for the committee.

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Concurrence.

Chelsea
Beach

The committee to whom was referred a communication from the selectmen of the town of Chelsea relating to the insecure state of Chelsea beach, reported, that from the representation of those gentlemen, it appears that the beach in the town of Chelsea, which forms the principal barrier between the northern part of the harbor

harbour of Boston, and the sea has been greatly injured by 364.
the late severe storm: the road which passed over it to Point Chelsea
Shirley is entirely destroyed, and large quantities of stones and beach
gravel which formed a part of the Beach have been thrown
upon the adjoining marshes, that there is reason to fear that
the beach if longer neglected may be entirely removed, or so
far reduced as to lay open to the ocean the whole of that
section of the harbour. The committee are of opinion that
every thing relating to the preservation and security of the harbour
is of the utmost importance to the City, and although they
believe the danger is not so great or so immediately pres-
sing as appears to the Selectmen of the town of Chelsea,
nevertheless they think it advisable that a survey should
be made of all those places where danger is to be ap-
prehended; with these views the committee have prepared
the following order, which they recommend to be adopted.

Resolved, that the Mayor be, and he is here-
by authorized to employ one or more experienced Engineers
to examine and survey that part of Chelsea beach referred
to by the Selectmen of that town; also the beach which
connects Point Shirley with the main land, and on re-
ceiving their report, if he should think it expedient
to make application to the General government for an ap-
propriation of a sum of money sufficient to erect such works
as may be adequate to afford the required protection.

For the committee - M. E. Loring
Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.
Same up concurred.

For
Rail road

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Joseph T. Dorr, and others, praying that a suitable strip of land upon the flats between the western avenue and Boylston street may be granted as a convenient terminus for a ware house about two hundred feet in breadth and one hundred feet in depth, as a wharf for receiving and delivering all commodities, which will pass over the rail road, have attended to that duty, and heard the petitioners, and are of opinion, that the establishment of rail roads connecting the City with the interior country is of such vital importance to the prosperity of the former as to leave no room to doubt that the City government will ever be actuated by a disposition to promote the success of those operations, when means for them shall be matured by all reasonable and means within the limits of their constitutional authority - The location of land for the termination of such rail roads in the City appears to the committee to involve many important considerations, which in the present municipal stage of the business of the City Council are not considered to examine and weigh - It is a measure also upon which one company obtaining a charter, would reserve the right of deciding for itself - and a premature assignment of land for the proposed object might not only be rejected by such company, but prevent subscriptions to the stock by individuals who would be dissatisfied in perceiving the addition of views which might exclude them from an entire participation in the matter, and deciding upon what might be deemed very es-

essential feature in any enterprise of this kind. The com 366.
mittee therefore beg leave to submit the following reso-
lution—

Resolved, that it is not expedient for the
City Council to make any grant or assignment of land
for the accommodation of rail roads, until one or more
charters of incorporation shall be obtained for the constructi-
on of such rail roads, and the City Council shall thus
be enabled to act upon deliberate information of all
circumstances in reference as well to the provisions of such
charters as to their authority to make such grants under
the charter of the City, and the laws of the Common-
wealth.

M. G. Otis, per order.

Read & accepted, & the resolve passed. Put down for concurrence.
Carried up concurred.

The committee of the City Council Police Court
to whom was referred an order, on the subject of the
law of this Commonwealth, establishing the Police Court, to
consider the expediency of an application to the Legislature, to
reduce the number of Judges of said Court to two, ask leave
to report. That circumstances beyond their control has pre-
vented them making a report at an earlier day; The most
the committee have been able to effect is, to collect & present
such information as they hope will be of use to the Council,
and any future committee by whom this important sub-
ject may be considered. The justices of the Police Court are,
by the provisions of law, to hold the Courts, viz: the Police
Court

367. Court, which sits every day in the year, except Sundays,
Police Court from nine o'clock A. M. to one P. M. and from three o'clock
to six P. M. And the justices Court, for the County of
Suffolk, which by law must be holden five days in a week,
and as much oftener as may be found necessary, and those
two days are generally found sufficient to transact the busi-
ness; but there are occasional adjournments to meet the con-
venience of the parties. One of the justices may by law hold
either of those Courts, and only one ordinarily sits; the more
dividing their labour is in the following routine; one of the
Judges holds the Police Court one week, and the following
week he holds the Justices Court, and the third week he oc-
casionally sits in either; on the fourth he takes the Police again.
It is likewise made the duty of the Court by the sixth
section of the act establishing said Courts to assemble from time
to time, to make rules for the orderly and uniform conduct-
ing of the business of said Courts, both of criminal and civil
jurisdiction. They also assemble once a month for the purpose
of examining the list of such persons who are held in prison
for the non payment of fines and costs, having the power to
discharge those who are unable to pay. They also by an
established order made at the first organization of the Court,
assemble once a week, to hear and decide such questions of
law, as have arisen in either Court, before a single justice,
and are by him considered of importance, doubtful, or proper
to be submitted to the consideration of his associates; complaints
under the bastardy act are received at all times, and either of
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the justices, who is not sitting in the Police Court considers himself bound to attend, when such complaint is made. Should the number of judges be reduced to two, it is apparent, that in all cases in which they are required to assemble, and all together, there would be a liability to differ in opinion, and in such case no question submitted to them, could be settled. The justices are also ex officio members of the board of accounts, they with the judges of the Municipal and one judge of Probate, constitute the board; reducing the number of the justices of the Police Court to two, would leave the board four in number, then there would be a constant liability to an equal division of opinion on questions of doubt. It is apparent to the committee, that it is possible for two judges to discharge the duties of said Court; but it is obvious, that it must operate as a perpetual confinement to the City, the Courts, unless they neglect their duties. It must also be taken for granted, that they will never be confined by sickness or domestic calamity, or from any of the numerous causes likely to interrupt every man in his ordinary business; any one who may have spent a few hours in said Court room, cannot be insensible of the unpleasant duties, that are daily required to be performed, which renders it necessary, in the sitting judge, for the preservation of his health to take air and exercise a few hours in the day, and to call his assistant to fill his place. From the foregoing considerations, your committee are of the opinion, that it is inexpedient to reduce the number of justices of the Police Court; but it is their opinion, that

369. The subject of our City Courts, is of vital importance, that one court might be constituted with three judges, so as to answer all the purposes, and discharge all the duties, which are now performed by both of the existing courts, and by such an arrangement a considerable saving would be made to the City. The committee find, that the average number of days per year charged to the board of accounts from Dec. 30. 1822, to Sept. 30. 1828, six years, to be 170 $\frac{1}{2}$ days at three dollars per day is \$511.50 per year. This amount might be saved, by a transfer of that duty to the committee of accounts appointed by the City Council, but this can only be effected by an act of the Legislature which would set off Chelsea to Essex or Middlesex, that Boston might become what it ought to be, a county by itself. Your committee would recommend this subject with the preceding remarks to the early and serious consideration of the next City Council.

Which is respectfully submitted by order of the committee
W. Wendell Chairman

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.
Carried up concurred.

Simmons

and "Easi"

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Messrs John Simmons, Ellen M. Gay, and Eli "Easi", setting forth "that an error had arisen in the measurement of certain lots of land on Merchants Row, and Pine Street, sold them by the City in April of the last year, whereby they had paid for twenty square feet more than they

They came in possession of, and requesting payment of the 3/10.
same" have attended to the duty assigned them, and ask leave
respectfully to report. That the circumstances set forth in the
petition are in the main correct, and that the error arose in
part in drawing the deeds (they not conforming to the plan
sold by) in part by interchange of lines, and in part by
Messrs. Simmons setting too far back from the street, where
by Messrs. Gay and Hearse did not receive so much land as
they purchased by seventeen square feet, the said land being
now in the highway, and that in view of all the facts
and circumstances connected with the premises, your com-
mittee recommend that Messrs. Gay & Hearse be paid for
seventeen feet of land at three dollars, thirty five cents per square
foot, with interest from the first day of May of last year,
and that nothing is due to Messrs. Simmons from the City.

In behalf of the Committee. Henry C. Oliver.

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

33 In Common Council referred to the next City Council.

The committee appointed at the Franklin Sch.
last meeting of the board, to provide a more suitable room for N. & Watch St.
the South Watch, by altering and repairing the present one
or erecting a temporary one, having considered the subject,
ask leave to report. That the very favourable terms on which
they have reason to believe the old Franklin school house, now
standing in Tremont late Common and Napan street, may again
come into possession of the City, induces the committee to urge
the

371. The consideration of a repurchase of that building, strongly
Franklin St upon the City Council. The overflowing number of children
49. now attending the new Franklin School, will soon make it
necessary to provide other accommodation in case the ordinary
increase of population in that part of the City should continue.
Provided then this necessity does occur, there is no sit-
uation so eligible as the one above alluded to; and no
location can be obtained or building procured for that and
other purposes now wanted in that vicinity, at so cheap a
rate, as the one in question. It is before reported to the town
the City is now paying rent for an engine house in that
ward \$130. per annum, and for a badly constructed Watch
House that cannot be made to answer a good purpose. &c.
both of which the committee have ascertained would be better
situated in the place now contemplated. For a watch house
the ground is higher than any other in that part of the
City, and there being already a bell in the building, at a
small expense, a bell might there be placed to give alarm in
case of fire, at a great distance, a subject which is becoming
of serious consideration to the City. The committee will add
that besides a watch room and engine house, this building
will admit of a school room in the rear, and on the
second floor a hall that could no doubt be let for various
purposes, and in the mean time producing an income until
the City should require it for its own accommodation. The
Committee might add other reasons, but they refrain, except
to say, that individuals are now in treaty for these premises,

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and an important object may soon be lost, unless in acquittance of their duty, this earnest representation of the committee should be immediately attended to; they therefore recommend the adoption of the following order.

Ordered, that Aldermen Hall and Lewis, be a committee with full powers to purchase back in behalf of the City, the land and building thereon standing, recently sold by the City, and then called the old Franklin School house, situated on Common street; provided the same may be purchased on a credit, and at a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars.

Ordered, that the piece of land owned by the City, and situated in Eliot street be advertised and sold, whenever the said Commissioner, with the approbation and advice of the Mayor and Aldermen may think best.

All which is respectfully submitted, -

James Hall, for the com^{ee}

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Referred in Common Council.

The committee on the petition of Jackson Thomas Jackson, praying to be allowed the whole amount of the sum appropriated for black hire, for the purposes mentioned, reported, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition. For the com^{ee} H. S. Long.

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

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The committee on the application

Universalist Soc of the committee of the second society of Universalists to have
School st. School street macadamized, below their meeting houses, It was
that it is not the intention of the board to remove the
pavements in that part of the street, they therefore propose
to refer this petition to the next board of Aldermen, recom-
mending that whenever it should be deemed expedient to re-
move the residue of the pavements, that the request of the
society be granted. Read and accepted.

Correy
Duke st.

An agreement entered into by the
committee and John G. Correy respecting widening Dock
square being read was approved of by this board.

Fireman
Ward No. 6.

Henry L. Hearn nominated and
appointed fireman for Ward No. 6.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock, P. M.

At a meeting of the board 371.
of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the four-
teenth day of December, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present-

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen.

The committee on the notice Inches'
of Henderson Inches' intention of building on Purchase street, Purchase st.
reported, that no building ought to be erected, to project fur-
ther into the street than on a line drawn by the front of
Mr. French's brick store. Read and accepted.

The committee on the petition Coverly
of Edward Coverly, and others, praying, that Audbury street in Audbury st.
widened, reported, that the part of Audbury street, referred to,
ought to be widened agreeably to the report of a committee
made the last year, and recommend the subject to the early
attention of the next board of Aldermen. Read & accepted.

Communication of Chandler Robbins, Primary Sch.
Anna, in behalf of the Primary school committee, praying, that com.
they may be authorized to engage several rooms for said
schools. Read and committed to the Mayor, Aldermen Russell
and Russell, to consider and report.

William C. Ayers, Charles Homer, Firemen
George H. Daniell appointed fireman Ward N^o 4. W^d N^o 4.

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Petition of Jeremiah Killbridge

Killbridge, Muma and James Wymann, owners of a building at the corner of the
Horden building, Haverhill and Market streets, which they erected in the year
1828, praying, that a committee be appointed to inspect said
building, in order that the suit which has been commenced
against them for the erection of said building, as is alleged
contrary to law, may be dismissed. Read and committed
to the committee on the fire department, to consider and
report.

Roberts
George Steel.

The committee on the petition of
Richard S. Roberts, who claims to be the proprietor of a
certain drain in George street Report, that there be allowed
and paid to said Roberts the sum of one hundred & fifty
dollars, provided he shall convey to the City all his right
and title to the drain laid by him in George street. The
said sum to be raised by an assessment on such of the
Inhabitants of Southwick and George streets as may have
used said drain, and the money paid over to said Roberts
when collected.

Her order, M. J. Loring,
Read and accepted.

Chimney,
defective

The committee appointed to take
down a defective chimney in a house on Hanover street
next north of the New brick church, reported, that the
parties came to an agreement to take down said chim-
ney, which has accordingly been done.

Read and accepted.

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The committee to whom was

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referred the petition of John S. Perkins, and one hundred four other citizens, praying, that the Police Court may be removed to Leverett Street, after due consideration of the subject was leave to report, that they fully concur in the sentiments, reasonings, and conclusions contained in said petition, and for a more full view of their sentiments on this important subject your committee would refer to their report, on the communication made to the Mayor and Aldermen by the Grand Jurors of the Municipal Court, several months ago, in which report reference is made to the petition now under consideration. The committee are of opinion, that it would be wise and expedient, for the Mayor and Aldermen acting under their authority, as the Court of Sessions, for the County of Suffolk, to take immediate measures for the erection of a court room, or Court house, upon an economical plan, to be located on the land belonging to the County, and bounded southerly on the passage way, leading from Leverett Street to the present Court house, in said street; the committee cannot refrain from an expression of their belief, that the time cannot be far distant, when Boston will become a separate County, and they state with confidence, that whether the present organization of the Municipal and Police Courts continues, or should the alterations take place, in regard to said Courts as contemplated in the report of the joint committee of the City Council recently made on that subject, the erection of the Court house above recommended would be in either

Case

377. case equally valuable to the City, the County, and the County.
And in the event of a change in said County, as is contemplated, such a measure would be indispensable, your committee therefore recommends the adoption of the following resolution. All which is respectfully submitted, by order of the committee. Thos. Kendall, Chairman.

Resolved, that it is expedient to erect a County house, upon the County land, north of the present County house, and bounding on the passage way, leading from Everett street to the said County house, to contain a suitable room or rooms, for the accommodation of the Police and Justice Courts. Read and thereupon ordered, that the same be referred to the next board of Aldermen.

Whiting
Licenses at South Boston
The committee on the petition of Marcus Whiting, and others, Citizens of South Boston, praying, that no victuallers licenses should be granted to persons residing in that section of the City, made a report which was read and thereupon ordered, that the same be referred to the next board of Aldermen.

Tyler
The committee on the petition of Wm. H. Tyler, praying leave to remove timber &c. from the ropewalk land, Reported, that they have given said Tyler leave to take away what they considered he might be entitled to, and ask leave to be discharged from further duty.
Read and accepted.

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The committee on the notice 378.

of Messrs Wright and Dams, of their intention of building on Wright & Dams Sea street, reported, that they do not think it necessary Sea street, for the City to do any thing with regard to said street, therefore they are leave to be discharged.

(Read & accepted.)

(Notice of Joseph Sewall & John Salisbury & Nathan Attorneys at Salisbury, and also Elisha Penniman, Penniman of their intention of building on Washington and Summer streets. Read and committed to Aldermen Wendall & Report to consider and report.

Report of the referees appointed Edwards to settle the damages for land taken from Nancy Edwards to Saline street, situate Saline street, near the corner of Richmond street, in the year 1826. Read and ordered to be paid.

It appearing to this board, that Haskell's Aaron Haskell has been duly notified to appear & show cause, if license revoked any he have, why his license as a victualler should not be revoked; the said Haskell having been convicted of selling spiritous liquors on the Lord's day. And now after a full hearing the board are of opinion, that the allegations alleged against the said Haskell are true. It is therefore ordered, that the license as a victualler heretofore granted to the said Haskell, for the cause aforesaid, be and hereby is revoked.

379.

The Treasurer and auditor of

Simmons accounts having certified that the several notes given to the mortgage to the City by John Simmons and Valentine Simmons for six thousand dollars and interest have been paid. A mortgage having been given as collateral security for the payment of said sum and interest. Thereupon ordered; that the Mayor be authorized and requested to discharge said mortgage.

Gragg
juggin horses

Remonstrance of Joseph Gragg and others against the wooden or flying horses exhibition in Hanover street also another remonstrance against another set of said horses in Ann street. Read and committed to the Mayor to consider and report.

Pucke

Communication of Nathaniel Pucke in relation to a horse belonging to him which fell into a pit at South Boston and was killed. Read and committed to the Mayor to consider and report.

Adjourned to one o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

At a meeting of the board of 380.

Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Tuesday, the fifteenth day of December, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present

The Mayor, and the whole board of Aldermen, except Aldermen Kendall and Hall.

The board proceeded to examine the returns of votes, from the several wards, given in, yesterday, for Mayor, and they found the whole number to be 1966.

Necessary for a choice 984

The Honorable Harrison Gray Otis had 1844

and he is chosen Mayor of the City of Boston, the year ensuing. They also proceeded to examine the returns of votes from the several wards, given in as aforesaid for Aldermen. They found the whole number to be 2081.

Necessary for a choice 1041

Henry J. Oliver, Esq. had 1926

John F. Loring, Esq. " 1673

Samuel T. Armstrong, Esq. " 1999

Hon^{ble} Benjamin Kibbell " 2012

Winslow Lewis, Esq. " 2038

Hon^{ble} Charles Wells " 1921

Moses Williams, Esq. " 1995

John B. McLeary, Esq. " 1768.

And they are duly elected Aldermen, for the year ensuing.

Ordered, that the City Clerk

cause the foregoing to be published in the newspapers and give notice that the several Gentlemen elected be notified of their respect in appointments.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the twenty-first day of December, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present -

The whole board of Aldermen.

Chairman pro

tem.

The Mayor being absent by reason of

indisposition, James Hall, Esq. was chosen Chairman pro tempore, by ballot.

Boston fire dept.

Chair. ap^{te}

Petition of the board of trustees of the Charitable Association of the Boston fire department, praying, that the City government would make a special grant to said association of such an amount of money as may be thought just, to reimburse in whole or in part its expenditures during the past year. Read and committed to the committee on the fire department, to consider & report.

Kimball

Salem street.

Petition of Benjamin Kimball, for com-

pensation or land taken to widen Salem street. Read & committed to Aldermen Oliver and Wells, to consider and report.

Petition of Lyman Thurston, 382.

and others, stating, that attempts have been made, to destroy the building, used as a stereotype foundry near High street, by fire, praying, that a reward may be offered, for the discovery of the offenders, and that an extra guard may be placed in the neighbourhood, as the public safety may seem to require. Read & committed to Aldermen Kendall & Kipell, to consider & report.

Communication from N.G. Snelling, Snelling, inclosing an account of the cost of making an abstract of the first ten volumes of records in the Registry of deeds office, Read and committed to Aldermen Loring and Armstrong, to consider and report upon the expediency of further continuing the work of make abstracts or new indexes to any of the other volumes in said office.

The committee to whom was recommended, with full power, the petition of Samuel Appleton, Appleton, and others, praying to have the easterly section of Water street paved, do further report, that considering the late stage of the season, and the impracticability of obtaining suitable materials for paving said street, the committee directed the Superintendent of streets to remove the mud & dirt from its surface, and to cover the same with gravel, using as much a quantity as would make the street convenient to the drivers and the public, until the following spring, at

383. at which time, the committee recommend, that their first report on this subject should be carried into effect, by having said deed. For the committee M^r. Kendall.

(Read and accepted.)

2000 mar. The committee appointed with full
Market wharf powers to adjust and settle any and all the matters in
disference between the City of Boston, and others, relative to the
lands that lying in the Cove near the City wharf, have
attended that since. Respectfully report, that they have
repeatedly met, and conferred together in the purpose of
investigating the subject committed to their charge, and have
obtained the opinion of the City Solicitor, and other Coun-
cil upon various important questions connected with the
claims of the respective parties. They have not however been
able to arrive at a satisfactory conclusion, upon all the ques-
tions growing out of this inquiry. It is nevertheless consid-
ered by the committee as a subject of great interest, and
it is most desirable to have adjusted on correct principles,
by agreement of parties if practicable, and your committee in
the hope that this object may be attained recommend it
to the early consideration of the next City Council, and
accordingly report the following resolves.

Resolved, that the further consideration of this subject be
postponed without day, & referred to the early attention of the next
City Council.

M. G. Otis, per order.

Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Came up concurred.

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The committee to whom was 384.

referred the several petitions of Thomas Adams, Abel Babcock, Adams, and Aaron Corey, and their appointees all of them occupants Babcock, of stalls in Faneuil Hall Market. The first two praying for Market stalls, a reduction of the rents of said stalls; the latter that retailing of fruits and other vegetables in North and South Market streets may be prevented, as leave to Report, That they have had several meetings on the business of these petitions, and have given to them all the consideration which the respectability of the parties, and the importance of the subjects would seem to require. The petition of Thomas Adams and others, refers to the stalls at the west end of the Market house, commonly called the mutton stalls; each of which is now rented for four dollars a week. The committee are of opinion, that these rents are too high, and therefore recommend that they be reduced, to take effect from and after the first day of January, next. The committee were influenced in their decision on this petition by the consideration that some privileges originally granted to these stalls have been since extended to others. In regard to the petition of Abel Babcock and others, which relates to all the remaining stalls in the Market, except those in the fish section; the committee are unanimous in the opinion, that no alteration ought to be made in the present rents, and therefore recommend, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition. The committee consider it unnecessary to take any order on the petition of Aaron Corey, and others, which relates to

385. to the retailing of fruits and other vegetables in the streets contiguous to the Market houses they are of opinion, that this subject may be safely confided to the discretion of the committee on the Market, to be by them prevented or regulated as circumstances may require. —

W. F. Loring, for the committee.

Read and accepted.

Bullard &

Willet

The committee on the petition of Bullard & Willett and Loring Brown, for pay for timber & other lumber supplied for the repair of a drain or out let through Front street. Report, that having taken into consideration the foregoing petition and have also had consultation with the superintendent of streets regarding the circumstances, and they are unable to separate the case from others where drains are constructed for private accommodation. Should the City bear the expense of repairing the drain, & pay for, they must also do the same for those which have been constructed the present season across the same street. The committee are unable to find any precedent for the payment of such claims, they therefore recommend, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

James Hall, for the committee.

Read and accepted.

Auctioneer

Daniel Parkman, licensed as an Auctioneer, place of sale Merchants Hall.

under consideration, the petition of William Pitts, and others, Pitts
 by their attorney James E. Merrill, Esq. proposing to receive Chatham St.
 from the City, a piece of land in exchange for a like quan-
 tity taken from them, as they say, by the City, which have to
 report; That they have not been able to ascertain, by any word
 or other information, that the City authorities have at any time
 taken any land from the estate of said Pitts and others, as set
 forth in their petition; neither have the committee any evidence
 which would shew, that the City owns any land adjoining
 the land of said Pitts, which could be legally sold or exchang-
 ed as requested by said petitioners. It appears by the records
 of proceedings of the Board of Aldermen, that some time in the
 year 1828, a suit was commenced against the City, by said
 Pitts to recover damages for the land alleged to have been taken
 from said Pitts and others, in the laying out of Chatham Street.
 At the same time, a petition was presented to the Board of Aldermen, by
 the Plaintiff in said suit, proposing a compromise; a report was
 made thereon, by the committee, dated February 25. 1828, stating
 as their opinion, that the estate was benefited by the laying
 out of said street, to a greater amount than the value of the
 land claimed as taken for that purpose, they add, "but as the
 City would incur some expense in defending a suit, & as
 an actual temporary injury falls upon parties whose circum-
 stances do not enable them well to bear it, the committee
 recommend, that if the owners of the estate will agree to
 relinquish all claims against the City, on account of alleged
 damages

38th. damages, upon being paid a sum not exceeding one hundred
Fitts dollars, it is expedient to make a settlement with them upon
Chatham St. these terms." For the information of the board, it would be
proper to state, that the committee, who reported, upon this
subject the last year, did not go into the consideration whether
or the land in question was, or was not taken as alleged,
by the claimants, inasmuch, as when the petition was read to
the board, neither the Mayor, who was supposed to be perfectly
familiar with all the circumstances of the case, nor any
member of the board called in question, the facts of said
land's being taken, or the quantity stated by the petitioners
so taken; hence they took it for granted, that that point
had been previously settled; a plan was also shown, that
committee, on which the land was traced out; said plan
however has since been ascertained to have been made, by the
direction of said petitioners, and not by the authority of the
board of Aldermen, as was supposed by that committee, at
the time. As your committee have not been able to obtain
such information, on this subject, as would enable them to
arrive at a satisfactory result they take the liberty to re-
commend, that the annexed order be passed by the board.
All which is respectfully submitted, for the committee.

W^m H. Wendall?

Ordered that the City Solicitor do and he
thereby is directed to ascertain, as far as practicable, what
rights, if any, William Fitts and others, heirs of the late ^{deceased}
Fitts, deceased have to land bounding north on said Fitts' lot,

and now making a part of Chatham street; and also to 388.
ascertain on what terms the City holds the land west of
said Pitts street; and formerly called Buller's dock, & the
wharves adjacent thereto; being the same premises, a part
of which said Pitts wishes the City to convey to him. And
said Solicitor is hereby directed to make report to the next
succeeding board of Aldermen as soon as may be after
their organization. Read & accepted, & the order passed.

The committee on the application Primary Sch.
of the primary school committee, for permission to hire two rooms
school rooms, viz. No. 107 Broad street — and the vestry of the
new meeting house in Purchase street. Reported, that said
committee be authorized to hire said rooms, at a sum not
exceeding sixty dollars per annum. Read & accepted.

Application of Joseph Woodruff, for Woodruff
a license to exhibit the Dog Apollo, and a trained bear, at 132 Dog Bear
Ann street. Read and committed to Aldermen Oliver & Wells,
with full power to grant a license upon such terms as they
may deem expedient.

Petition of Benjamin W. Lamb, & more Lamb
than one hundred others, praying for the use of Faneuil Hall, Faneuil Hall
for a state convention of anti-masonic delegates to be held
on the thirtieth day of December, instand, and to continue about
three days. Read & the prayer thereof granted, under the direction
of Aldermen Loring, Kendall and Wells.

The committee to whom was referred, the notice of the owners of land at the corner of Sumner, Penniman, and Washington streets Report, that they have had an interview with Mr. Penniman, proprietor of part of said premises, & Mr. Lapham, agent for Mr. Salisbury, but they have not received any definite proposition from them as to the terms on which they would settle with the City, should it be deemed expedient to take any portion of their land for the purpose of widening Washington street; at the same time they do not appear to have any objection to such a measure, provided they can be equitably remunerated for the land that may be taken from their estates. By viewing the plan of Washington street, & from other information, it appears that it was the determination of the board of Aldermen, that said street should be made fifty feet wide, from Milk street to Bedford street, as will appear by referring to the plan above. Your committee are therefore of opinion, that the public safety and convenience require, that Washington street should be widened, beginning at the northerly corner of Sumner street, taking three feet at that point, and running northeasterly until it strikes the northerly line of said Penniman's lot, five feet, eight inches from the present line of Washington street, and from thence running further on the same line and direction, until it comes to the brick building owned by Mr. Ann Kent striking a point six feet, eight inches east of the present line of said street. The whole amount of land proposed to be taken by the City is about three hundred, & six - three square feet viz. from Mr. Salisbury

Salisbury, seventy five feet - Mr. Pinniman one hundred fifty, 390.
five and an half feet - Mr. Barker one hundred, twelve & an
half feet - Respectfully submitted for the committee -
Thos. Kendall

Read and thereupon resolved, that the whole
board will meet on the premises, Thursday, next, ten o'clock
A. M. for the purpose of considering the expediency of taking a
strip of said land to widen Washington, street, and that the
owners of the land be notified of the time & place of
meeting.

Adjourned to that time & place accordingly.

Thursday, December 24th 1829.

Met according to adjournment.

Present. Aldermen Oliver, Loring, Armstrong, Hall, Kimball
and Wells.

The board proceeded to view that Washington
part of Washington street at and near the corner of Summer street,
street where several buildings were recently destroyed by fire.
Messrs. Schuyler, Chapman and Elisha Pinniman together with
A. B. Fuller, the Surveyor, attended agreeably to notice.

After which the Gentlemen proceeded to the room
of the Mayor and Aldermen.

Adjourned to Monday next, four o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Monday, the twenty eighth day of December, Anno Domini, 1829.

Present.

The whole board of Aldermen.

Appropriation

Ordered, that for the purpose of paying the expenses of erecting a school room, for a primary school on the western avenue, the sum of four hundred and seventy dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated; and that the same amount be withdrawn from the appropriation for repairs of public buildings. Came up for concurrence.
Read & concurred.

Trusts

Application of Thomas Tufts, for a license to exhibit a menagerie of living animals, consisting of a lion, tiger, Leopard, Camel, Llama, various monkeys & which he, at a building in Flagg alley, for three months.
Read and granted on payment thereof of four dollars per month. That this license be granted upon condition that the managers suffer no boys under fourteen years of age to be idling about their premises.

Woodruff

The committee upon the application of Joseph Woodruff, for a license to exhibit the learned Dog Apollo and the learned Bear, reported, that they found the animals removed.
Read & accepted.

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The City Marshal gives notice 392.

that complaints have been made to him, that Daniel Barber, Esquire, is now erecting a two story wooden building on the outer line of his wharf, which is stated to be at least five feet within the true line of Howard street. Read and after mature consideration, it is thereupon ordered, that the Mayor is requested to cause all encroachments made on Howard street & the dock contiguous thereto to be forthwith removed.

The Committee on the petition of William Gardner, and others, in relation to Bridge street, report, Bridge st. that if the proprietors of said street will extend it as far as the line belonging to the Massachusetts General Hospital, but said street in good condition, that it will then be expedient to accept the same and cause it to be paved or macadamized as may be deemed best. Read & accepted.

Resolved, that the supply and convenience of the inhabitants require that Washington street be widened, and the same is hereby laid out and widened in manner following viz: beginning at the corner of Summer street, taking three feet at that point, & running northwesterly until it strikes the northerly line of Elisha Penniman's lot of land five feet eight inches from the present line of said street; and from thence running further on the same line and direction until it comes to the brick building owned by Ann Bent, striking a point about six feet eight inches east of the present line of said street, taking

seconds,

393. seventy five square feet of land from Mrs. T. Salisbury's estate; one hundred fifty five and an half square feet from said Terminus estate; and one hundred twelve and one half square feet from Mr. Barker's estate, amounting in the whole to three hundred and forty three square feet of land, as marked on a plan of said street, taken by S. P. Fuller, dated April 8th 1825.

Harrington
applicant.

Application of John Harrington, for a license to exhibit as a ventriloquist at Court Hall, for two nights. Read and granted on paying thereof an additional sum of

House of Representatives.

The committee on the Gaol & House of Correction, to whom was referred the report of the board of accounts, on the subject of the House of Correction, proposing an alteration in said establishment in regard to the diet of the prisoners, and also recommending a more perfect method of keeping the accounts, reported a statement of facts, and that the further consideration of the subject be referred to the next board of Aldermen. Read and accepted, and thereupon ordered, that said report be published in the newspapers.

Summer
street.

The committee who were instructed to make repairs at the bottom of Summer street, reported, that they have caused the wharf to be repaired, and that the ~~whole~~ ^{gross} cost of the labour and materials for the same amounts to fifty one dollars and twenty six cents.
Read and accepted.

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The committee on the subject 394
of placing the sun dial belonging to the City, reported, that Ann dial
they have made arrangements with John Lavin, Clock maker
No. 33 Cornhill, for the erection thereof, but the recent fire
in his building has prevented it, therefore they recommend, that
the subject be referred to the next board of Aldermen?

Read and accepted.

Erisham B. Mackay, licensed as an Auctioneer
place of business No. 63 Water street.

Benjamin L. Levin, licensed as an
auctioneer, place of business No. 342, Washington street.

Petition of Joseph Francis, praying Francis
that he may have the privilege of erecting a temporary structure Sheet 1
over the City's slip at the bottom of Elm street. Read and
committed to Aldermen Oliver and Wells, to consider & report.

Ordered, that Aldermen Oliver, City gov.
Loring and Russell be a committee to confer with the Mayor, organization
on the measures necessary to be taken in regard to the due or
organization of the City government.

Adjourned to Saturday next, 11 o'clock. A. M.

At a meeting of the board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, on Saturday, the second day of January, Anno Domini, 1830.

Present -

The whole board of Aldermen, except Alderman Knap.

City gov't organ.

The committee appointed to confer with the Mayor, reported, that they had an interview with him, made arrangements for the due organization of the City government, on Monday next.

Prospect st.

Ordered, that the committee of the district be instructed to cause the encroachment made by Mrs Pollard, on Prospect street, to be forthwith removed and her line to be set back to the line of said street.

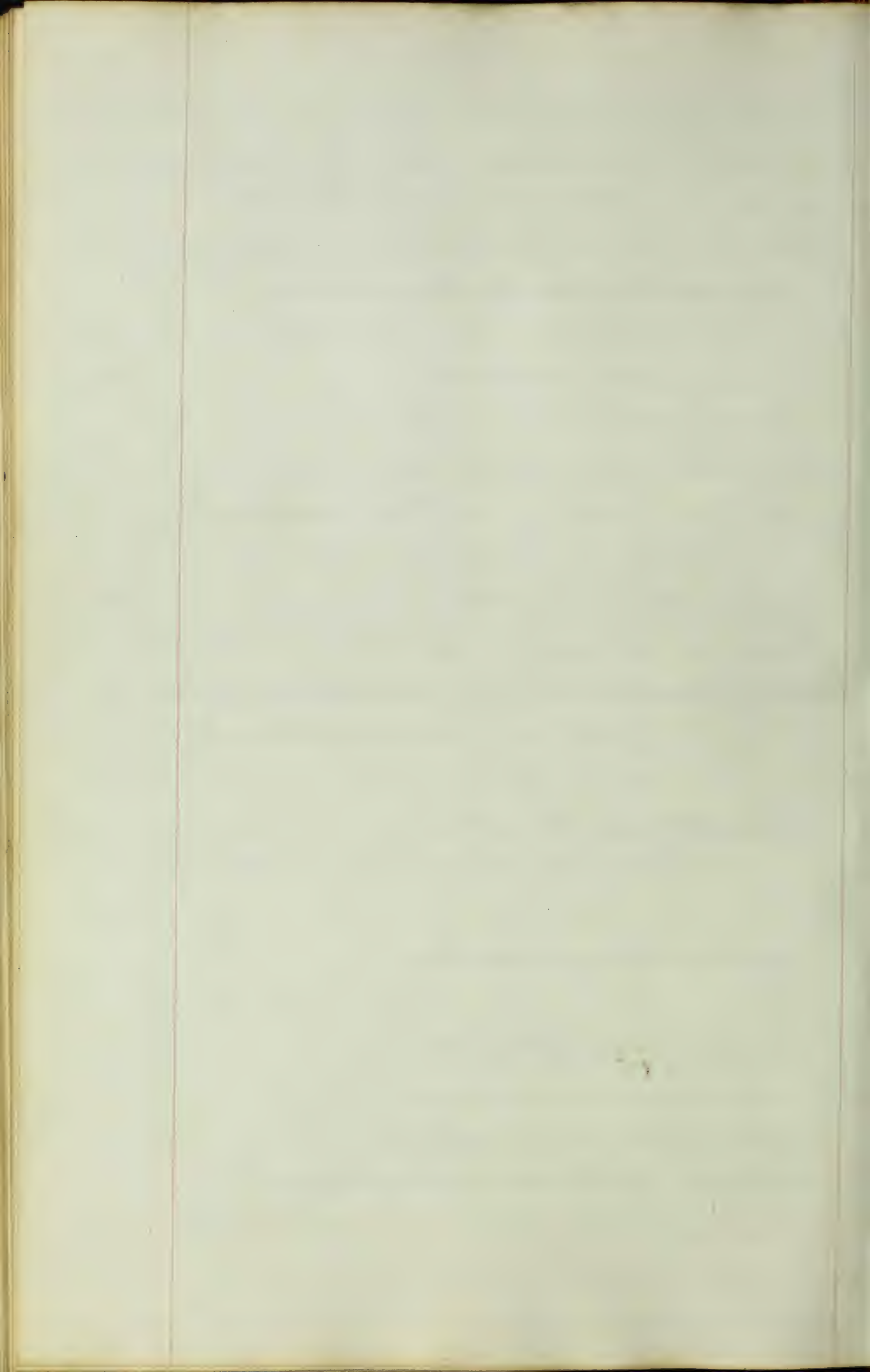
Ordered, that all matters & things not acted upon be referred to the next board of Aldermen.

The meeting was then adjourned, without day. Attest,

Samuel Foster McLeary, City Clerk.

The foregoing is a true record of proceedings of the Mayor & Aldermen for the year 1829, viz from 7th January 1828 to 2d January 1830, both inclusive.

Attest, Samuel Foster McLeary, City Clerk.



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